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Spring comes to the campus. Books and classrooms will be temporarily forgotten as students breathe deep of a world refreshed.

Symbolically taking "time off" are Barbara Gough, Carol Schlencker and Dana Orth of Gamma Xi chapter, San Jose.

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Letter from Ellen

Let's Take Inventory

As spring arrives we find both college and alumnæ chapters selecting new officers. Surely there is no better time to evaluate this year and do some constructive planning for the coming year. In this project the retiring officers have a particular responsibility.

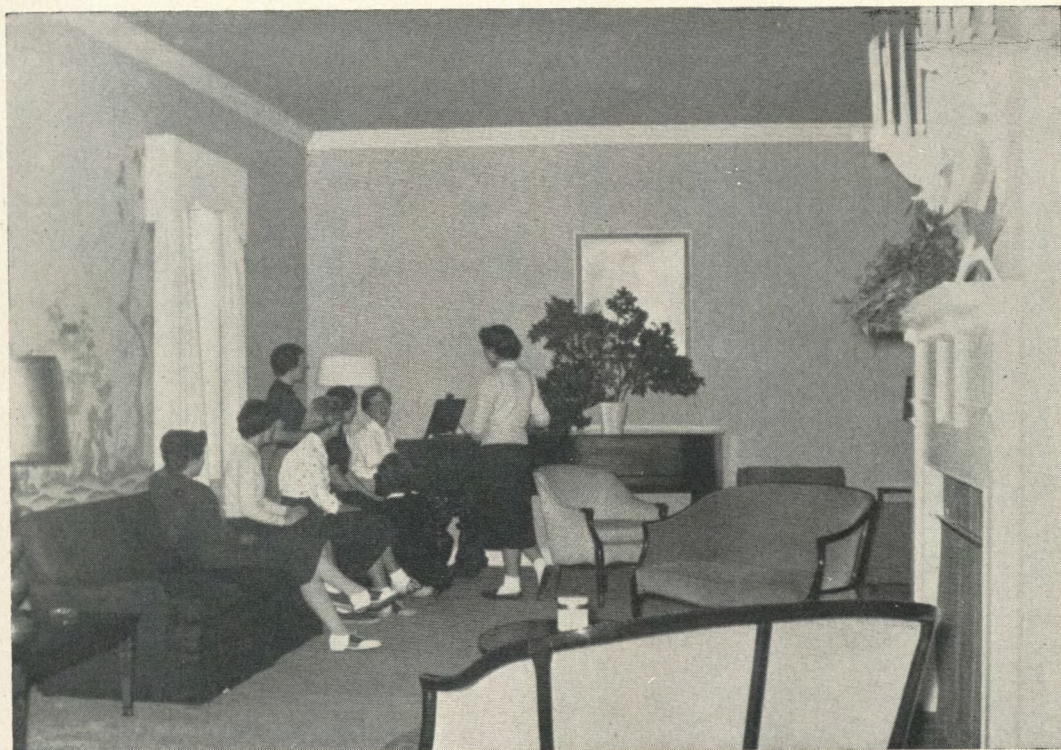
Each college chapter officer should go over the duties of her office with her successor as she turns over her tools of office. Further, she and the other retiring officers should assist the new officers in drawing up the platform for the coming year. These officers should refer to the Fraternity Education Program, entitled Characteristics of a Strong Chapter, and see how many of them their chapter has. They can then formulate a platform incorporating suggestions most applicable to their particular needs.

The alumnæ officers have a comparable responsibility. They should consider carefully the things their chapters should be accomplishing. Is the chapter making a real effort to increase its membership? Are some of the programs for the year concerned with the fraternity and its activities? Is a real effort made to make each Founders' Day celebration a truly memorable occasion? Is there a project which not only makes a monetary contribution to a charity but also strengthens the group as the members all work together for a common cause? These are just a few of the questions to consider. Remember the theme for our District Conventions:

"The achievements of today build the fraternity of tomorrow."

Ellen Bowers Hayshead

Grand President



A group of Gamma Mus gather around the piano in the living room of their new house for a song session.

In The Maryland Manor

• Mary Ann Allison

Gamma Mu Chapter

One of the most beautiful sights on the University of Maryland campus is the view of the new Fraternity Row. These ten colonial type houses forming a horseshoe arrangement are separated from the university buildings by the teeming Baltimore boulevard. The five houses on one side are inhabited by sororities, and the other five are claimed by fraternities. However, outwardly all ten are alike except for the various black Greek letters displayed just above the porch pillars. We Gamma Mu Thetas were delighted to move into the last sorority house in the bend—the only one right next door to a fraternity.

The Row houses attain individuality from their interiors. Although one decorator planned the furnishings for several of the houses, each one is distinctively different. We Gamma Mus were fortunate in having Mrs. Elizabeth Hollo-

way of Arlington, Virginia, for our interior decorator. Her good taste has given us a "dream house" that is truly livable. First-time visitors exclaim over the flamingo pink color of the hallway that is illuminated by an enormous hanging chandelier and graced by the presence





The pledge rooms were decorated by the pledges themselves. Jackie Dumars doesn't seem unhappy about it.

of two classic Greek vases mounted on pedestals. A cross-wise passageway leads from the library-recreation room to the housemother's quarters which consist of bedroom, bath, and sitting room. Two archways on the hallway lead to our immense wedgewood blue living room with wall-to-wall carpeting. It is furnished with navy, white, plum, and green furniture, and has a huge brick fireplace in the center. The wall facing the fireplace is adorned with an elaborate mural of Mount Fujiyama. White and gold window drapes add a touch of elegance. This room and the adjoining date room provide a majestic setting for successful rushing. For more informal rush parties, we make good use

of our cheerful yellow and aqua dining room downstairs. Our basement floor also includes a kitchen, chapter room, laundry room, maid's quarters and archives.

The second and third floors include the house's fifteen bedrooms and an ironing room. Starting with the basic furnishings of wrought-iron beds, black chests and bookcases, and blonde combination dresser-desks; each girl decorated her own room with spreads, rugs, boudoir chairs, lamps and personal belongings that set off each room in originality of decoration.

For all the pastimes of college Thetas, our new home has provided us with the perfect setting for gracious living.

This is the date room which is just off the living room of the new house. The drapes are a print of the Napoleonic period.





Alyce Silver of Butler is pictured, symbolically, against a background of the United Nations.

Concerning Alyce

• Nancy Stassus

Gamma Chapter

"When you have a message, a message you feel must be delivered, something inside of you that's just got to come out; when you are bursting with a clarion appeal to human rightness, and fitness and justice—the words will come." So says Joseph K. Shepard of Alyce Silver in the *Indianapolis Star*, as he describes her ability to express herself on her prime interest, the United Nations. For Gamma's Alyce Silver has won the unofficial title of Butler's representative to the United Nations through

the state-wide reputation she has gained for her understanding knowledge of the subject.

Her interest in the UN was aroused while she was attending Shortridge High School. As the leader of a student panel-lecture group Alyce made 15 appearances before Parent-Teacher organizations, civic and church groups on the history, aims and significance of the UN. In her senior year she went to New York as the Shortridge representative on a student inspection tour of the UN.

After her trip to New York she decided on a full education in public speaking and law, aiming toward a future career in the diplomatic service or in some capacity with the United Nations.

At present her interest in the UN has led her to become a member of the United Nations speakers' bureau in Indiana. In this role she has participated on a television panel show, and is co-ordinator of student activities for the UN for the Indianapolis Citizens Committee for the United Nations. She also is planning another trip to New York with a high school group, acting as junior chaperone.

Alyce realizes that in order to convince others of the importance of the United Nations, she must be able to express her own strong faith and ideas effectively. "Public speaking," says Alyce, "is the best training for learning to think, to reason and to convince. The question period which follows the average talk is the real challenge. There you can either win or lose your audience."

Her inspired determination earned her the following praise from the head of Butler's speech department, "She was as good a freshman speaker as I've ever seen during my collegiate coaching."

As a freshman she participated in twelve de-

bates on the novice team on the subject, "The United States Should Adopt a Policy of Free Trade," competing against Purdue, Indiana, Northwestern, Wabash, DePauw, and Earlham.

Now, as a sophomore member of the Butler University debating team, she has already won an impressive list of honors in public speaking. These include the Wachtel award at Earlham College, the state oratorical contest for women at Indiana State Teachers College, second place in the 13-state national contest of the Intercollegiate Peace Speech Association at Michigan State College, first award in the Hoosier Classic Public speaking contest at Indiana University.

Although Alyce's goals may lie with the United Nations, her interests are definitely not one-sided. In her freshman year she was chairman for our Geneva Stunts act for Butler's annual vaudeville show. Her knowledge of music and dancing helped us to take first place in the women's division. In fact, she was chairman again for this year's production, in which we again won first place.

Needless to say, Gamma chapter is proud of Alyce and her achievements in varied fields. And if the past predicts the future, we will continue to become even more proud, for all her youthful vigor is tuned to a career of diplomacy and internationalism.

The Price of a Movie

• Alyce Silver

Gamma Chapter

Introduction:

This manuscript was written for oral delivery, but it still contains the basic truths and attitudes upon which I base my support of the United Nations.

If every crusader has a cause, and I suppose he must, then let us say that my purpose has never been to gain blind idealistic belief through an emotional appeal, but to encourage people to "get the facts" for themselves and base their support and judgment of the United Nations on these facts. During the four years in which I have been speaking publicly for the United Nations, I have found that the most invalid and emotional criticisms of it come from those who have not taken the time to look for the truth, or prefer not to in the first place. I believe that the college student of today has an excellent opportunity to be an objective evaluator of the United Nations. In the midst of many learning experiences, the student is probably more inclined to examine all aspects of the object for research and study, and to weigh his findings with an attitude of sincerity and

integrity of conclusion, than is the individual speaking from a purely personal or partisan point of view.

At the time of publication, the General Assembly will be meeting to discuss the revision of the Charter. Many opinions will be voiced. Much newspaper space will be devoted to the proceedings. At this important point in the development of the United Nations, it is almost imperative that our national attitude is one based on cool consideration of the existing facts and forces in the world today, and not upon hot-headed hearsay and uninformed emotional beliefs.

"Since wars begin in the minds of men, it is in the minds of men that the defenses of peace must be constructed." Eight years ago, some of the greatest minds in the world conceived a defense of peace which they called the United Nations. It was implemented and began its work in a world torn by the mounting animosity between East and West which we have since labeled the "Cold War." But passing through this baptism of ice, the United Nations undertook the reconstruction of a world which had just completed its second global war.

The nations applauded when the new state of Israel was created out of conciliation instead of conquest, when India and Pakistan brought their political dispute to a United Nations conference table instead of an Asiatic battlefield, when the Berlin Blockade was settled by negotiation instead of annihilation. In these triumphs, we saw the machinery for peace humming away in its New York workshop. We pictured a battered world entering on one side of the shop, passing along the assembly line in various stages of repair, and finally being sent to the most skilled craftsmen of the organization to emerge bright, and shining, and peaceful.

We wanted peace immediately, at almost any price, and it would seem sometimes at bargain prices. We wanted the fruits of peace without first cultivating the processes that produce them. We forgot the long record of efforts to secure and maintain an enduring peace and grave human cost of such commitments. We forgot that the United Nations is a human organization with human limitations. And in our disillusion, we destroyed our united support of peace by making the United Nations a domestic political issue. It is this lack of steadfastness and substantial faith which is endangering the United Nations today more so than any of internal faults.

IF WE ARE TO SEE PEACE IN OUR TIME, THAN WE MUST HAVE A RE-

NEWED, NON-PARTISAN, AND ENLIGHTENED FAITH IN THE UNITED NATIONS. We must not entertain the fond illusion of some perfect or ideal plan in some ideal but far-off future. To do this, we will have to learn the answers to the most frequently heard criticisms of the United Nations which have become popular misconceptions. There are three main aspects of our division, which can be completely eliminated in the light of factual information. The United Nations' veto, the United Nations' cost and the United Nations' atheism.

Any American can tell you what the veto is. It is the voting power which Russia uses to block all Western proposals in the United Nations. That can be classified as popular misconception number one. The facts reveal that the Russian use of the veto, though widely publicized, has been very ineffective, principally because of the very nature of the veto. First, it operates only in the eleven member Security Council and may be and has been used by any of the Big Five. Furthermore, whenever the veto delays action in a time of crisis, the question then passes to the sixty member General Assembly where there is no veto, where Russia has never been able to get more than the five votes of her satellites, and in which the United States has always had forty-four to fifty-three votes, substantially more than the required two-thirds majority. And so the first barrier to faith in the United Nations is destroyed by learning a basic procedural fact about voting methods.

However, popular misconception number two hits very close to home in the United States, because it concerns our pocketbooks. As one critic put it, "We're going to go broke supporting that international debating society." I might first appeal to his practical nature and explain that the very fact that the United Nations is in America means approximately twelve million dollars of business to American firms yearly.

And further, that the budget for the entire United Nations last year was just about ten million dollars less than what it costs New York to clean its streets for one year. The United States' contribution to the cost of the United Nations is about seventy cents per person yearly . . . almost the cost of one movie. On the other hand, experts have figured out that if the cost of World War II had been divided equally, every person in the world would have received a bill for \$7,000 daily, which could not begin to include the loss of human lives. It does not seem too unreasonable then, to contribute seventy cents per year, the price of one movie, as insurance against such future conflagration.

Then the critic might ask just how the United Nation spends its money to insure peace. The United Nations realized that sick, hungry people do not make for a peaceful nation nor thus, for a peaceful world. So it is meeting these two very basic causes of war with every modern scientific weapon possible. The World Health Organization, one of the UN's specialized agencies, has spent almost six million dollars in a World War against tuberculosis. UNICEF has established thirty-five thousand dispensing centers throughout the world, from which eight million children are being fed daily. The International Refugee Organization just completed the successful repatriation of the last of almost two million World War II refugees. And the list of humanitarian undertakings goes on and on. Every American can have the satisfaction of knowing that his seventy cents is

being put into the best possible defense of peace by strengthening the bodies and minds of men against the causes of war.

The last taboo which the bitterest critics attribute to the United Nations was best worded by Mr. Westbrook Pegler, when he said, "The United Nations is a Godless organization." To disprove this statement, it is necessary only to know about the Meditation Room in the new United Nations headquarters, to which members of all the different faiths represented can and do come when they feel the need for spiritual guidance. It is a simple room, oval in shape and hung from ceiling to floor with soft white draperies. No particular religion is definable from the decor. An altar, hewn from a tree trunk, serves as altar for all religions. The Meditation Room is temple, cathedral, mosque, chapel, synagogue, and shrine. To this room come men and women of all races, creeds, and faiths, who have put aside their minor differences to work and pray for a true and lasting peace. Let them serve as an example of what unity can accomplish. Let it become the duty of every American to be well informed on the activities of the United Nations. Let us be prepared to give it thoughtful, understanding, and constructive criticism, but never criticism based upon heresay and prejudice. Let us renew our faith in the belief that we **can** work and pray with all the peoples of the world in glorifying and realizing the unforgettable message of the ages, "*PEACE ON EARTH, GOOD WILL TO MEN.*"

We Welcome

The Chattanooga, Tennessee, Alumnae club whose president is—

Mrs. James H. Vidal
Peter Pan Road
Lookout Mountain, Tennessee

And . . .

The West Suburban Alumnae club, whose president is—

Mrs. Paul Schulz
761 Hill Avenue
Glen Ellyn, Illinois

Anne of the Ivy League

• Jim Winchester

Magazine: People and Places



Anne Morrissey of Cornell

A petite, freckle-faced coed captured one of the last masculine strongholds at Cornell University last year. Anne Morrissey (Iota), a senior from Bronxville, N.Y., was elected sports editor of the student newspaper, the *Cornell Daily Sun*. She is the first woman to hold this position in the paper's 75 year history.

A specialist in swimming, tennis, crew and a member of the Cornell women's golf team, Anne won her position over three male candidates. The *Chicago Tribune* points out the fact that, since Cornell didn't even allow girl cheerleaders, her chances looked very dim. However, the "No Women Permitted" sign is now down, after a year of tough athletic assignments which completely convinced the publication board of Anne's ability.

Full of self-confidence and not at all awed by breaking an Ivy League tradition in her new

role, Anne has had to overcome several unique problems. Since there has never been a female sports writer in the Ivy League stadiums, the colleges had to pass special rules allowing her freedom of movement in the press boxes. Last fall she became the first woman to enter the Cornell, Yale, and Pennsylvania press boxes in a reporter capacity.

Keeping up her studies in philosophy, working part-time as cashier in a school restaurant, holding an office in Theta, and seeing that the sports pages of the college daily are lively and timely have her hopping fifteen hours a day. Aside from that, she is attractive enough to be a beauty candidate—most recently for the Dixie Classic basketball tournament.

Anne claims crew as her favorite sport to cover. It was her first "beat" when she was a cub reporter on the paper and netted her first by-line. Not long after she started covering the sport the oarsmen elected her mascot, and helped raise money so that she could return to Syracuse after school had ended in order to attend the intercollegiate rowing championships.

After graduation Anne plans to go into the field of sports journalism, either with a magazine or newspaper.

It's a habit

Success is a habit with Mary Margaret McBride. For the third consecutive year the National Association for Better Radio and Television has given its award for the best daytime radio program to Mary Margaret, who also writes a column for the Associated Press.

Faye Emerson, in her syndicated column, says: "It is so lovely to hear Mary Margaret again on radio, but the time is much, much too short (5 minutes). One day some genius is going to find the perfect way of presenting Mary Margaret McBride on television. I think she has the perfect television personality. . . ."

The Mental Marts

• Betty Briggs

Book Review Editor

Dr. Robert Hutchins has labelled the American educational system "a gigantic play pen" and "a colossal housing project to keep young people out of worse places until they are able to go to work."

Some educators feel that the great influx of young people into college has resulted in an intellectual leveling down. The student who has the independence and integrity to resist this intellectual "leveling" resulting from mass education, is finding the effort rewarding. The lasting rewards of scholarship are largely spiritual and intellectual, for scholarship, as a way of life, need not end with a formal education but can continue its pattern to the end of a lifetime.

The superior student whose purse is not equal to the heavy costs of education will find monetary aid for the asking—\$31,000,000 in scholarships is awarded to 125,000 students in the United States each year. Businesses, research foundations, private donors, colleges, fraternal organizations including our own, and the

United States government, through the Fulbright Fellowships, are pouring millions into the education of students who excel scholastically. Donors who are investing in the youth of America accept good returns on this "bullish" intellectual market.

Thetas of serious purpose are qualifying for some of these scholarships and fellowships. Statistics show that there is an influx of women into college, women preparing for business or a professional career, married women training for jobs as good as those their husbands have, and brides studying along with their husbands who are about to be tapped by Uncle Sam.

Of our members in college we ask, is college for you merely a "play-pen"? Are you meeting the intellectual challenge of college with maturity and integrity? Are you investing your time and energies wisely so that you, too, may reap the rich rewards of scholarly competence? It will pay off in dividends of satisfaction and enjoyment, regardless of monetary return.

A Century of Waring's

Centennial minded Dixie Lee (Beta Phi) and Fred Waring Jr., both undergraduates at Pennsylvania State University, study a photograph of their great-great-grandfather, William G. Waring, who laid out the campus, was the first horticulture professor, and even served as acting principal of the 100-year-old university in the first years of its struggle. The two are children of bandleader Fred Waring, alumnus and trustee.

Dixie was recently song leader at the District Three convention held March 11-13 at Cherry Hill Inn, Haddonfield, N.J.



National Scholarship of Kappa Alpha Theta

• Martha B. White

Scholarship Chairman

Kappa Alpha Theta Scholarship was computed for 1953-54 on a national basis according to a process that has been used since 1934 by the national Interfraternity Conference and deans and registrars on various campuses throughout the country. We accepted this process as the fairest method to use in determining the national rank of each of our Theta chapters. Your national Scholarship Chairman is indeed grateful to Colonel Ralph W. Wilson, Sigma Chi, Executive Director of *College Fraternity Scholarship Processing*, for his many thoughtful suggestions, computations and valuable aid in teaching us how to gather and compute this material.

We believe it is of great value to our chapters to see just where they stand scholastically with every other Theta chapter and we hope our chart will encourage competition among all. A national chart is able to show the progress or the unfortunate decline in chapter scholarship from year to year.

Information that gives a fair picture to all must be drawn from the official college Panhellenic records for each Theta chapter. The records show the combined averages of active members and pledges of the Theta chapter and the ALL SORORITY average on each campus. The different systems of grading we find used on various campuses have no bearing, since all Theta chapter averages are comparable when the local ALL SORORITY average, the THETA CHAPTER average and the MAXIMUM GRADE of that school are processed as a separate unit on our chart. The percentage that the chapter average is *above* or *below* its local ALL SORORITY average determines the national rank of each chapter.

There is often only a slight deviation, or there can be a wide range between all the sorority averages on a campus, but it is that differ-

ence that gives each chapter its local Panhellenic rank. We have included the local rank of each chapter on the chart.

Our national goal, with regard to scholarship, is to see each of our chapters equal to or above the all sorority average on its own campus.

Our national Scholarship Chart for the 1952-53 school year was published at the time of our 1954 Grand Convention. We now present the chart for the 1953-54 school year and conclusions therefrom:

We salute Gamma Kappa chapter on the George Washington University campus. The "B" chapter average, far surpassing the local all sorority average, has placed Gamma Kappa at the very top of our national Chart. This is indeed a great stride in scholarship which all chapters might well emulate. It is gratifying to see what a chapter can do, and this chapter's progress has been remarkable over the past two years. Gamma Kappa received the Scholarship Improvement Award at our recent Grand Convention.

We also salute Beta Sigma chapter on the Southern Methodist University campus. Its improvement is most significant in that it moved from the last place on the 1952-53 Chart to above-average.

In comparing the 1952-53 Chart with the 1953-54 Chart we find 15 Theta chapters have improved in their ABOVE-AVERAGE percentages; 8 chapters raised their rank from BELOW-AVERAGE, to ABOVE-AVERAGE, and 21 chapters that were ABOVE-AVERAGE show a decline. We find 4 BELOW-AVERAGE chapters have shown improvement but still remain below their ALL SORORITY average. It is unfortunate that 9 BELOW-AVERAGE chapters show a decline, and 10 ABOVE-AVERAGE chapters in 1952-53 dropped to BELOW-AVERAGE the following year.

Scholarship Chart

According to Chapters 1953-54

(Final tabulation prepared February, 1955, by Martha B. White,
National Scholarship Chairman)

	Campus Rank	Theta Rank 1952-53 Per Cent	Theta Rank 1953-54 Per Cent
1. Gamma Kappa George Washington University	1-11	3.76	31.45
2. Alpha Theta University of Texas	1-13	15.71	20.50
3. Gamma Tau University of Tulsa	1-7	—	16.09
4. Alpha Rho University of South Dakota	?	2.19	15.12
5. Beta Gamma Colorado A. & M.	1-6	4.29	15.67
6. Chi Syracuse University	2-25	17.93	13.58
7. Alpha Sigma Washington State College	?	12.75	12.61
8. Beta Epsilon Oregon State College	5-16	15.97	12.40
9. Delta University of Illinois	2-25	16.26	12.33
10. Alpha Tau University of Cincinnati	?	10.50	11.76
11. Alpha Gamma Ohio State University	2-22	4.06	11.36
12. Gamma Pi Iowa State College	3-11	11.44	10.29
13. Gamma Delta University of Georgia	3-14	—	10.08
14. Beta Indiana University	4-19	16.81	9.55
15. Beta Zeta Oklahoma A. & M.	3-9	3.79	9.49
16. Kappa University of Kansas	3-13	5.43	9.38
17. Rho University of Nebraska	3-14	13.44	9.21
18. Beta Delta University of Arizona	3-11	9.09	7.44
19. Beta Phi Pennsylvania State College	2-21	2.63	7.20
20. Alpha Lambda University of Washington	4-20	11.43	7.05
21. Beta Xi University of California, Los Angeles	4-22	2.00	7.03

		Campus Rank	Theta Rank 1952-53 <i>Per Cent</i>	Theta Rank 1953-54 <i>Per Cent</i>
22.	Gamma Chi	2-7	7.92	6.17
	Fresno State College			
23.	Beta Mu	2-4	.26	6.00
	University of Nevada			
24.	Alpha Nu	2-6	.77	5.91
	Montana State University			
25.	Beta Kappa	4-7	1.30	5.84
	Drake University	1-7		
26.	Beta Pi	4-18	8.71	5.47
	Michigan State College			
27.	Gamma	?	9.19	5.23
	Butler University			
28.	Beta Nu	4-16	-3.16	5.26
	Florida State College			
29.	Beta Iota	3-16	9.35	4.53
	University of Colorado			
30.	Gamma Epsilon	2-3	—	4.20
	University of Western Ontario			
31.	Gamma Sigma	4-11	-2.83	4.18
	San Diego State College			
32.	Gamma Zeta	4-9	-7.12	3.97
	University of Connecticut			
33.	Alpha Upsilon	2-4	6.06	3.02
	Washburn University			
34.	Alpha Omicron	5-13	5.99	2.69
	University of Oklahoma			
35.	Alpha Xi	10-16	3.01	2.29
	University of Oregon			
36.	Beta Tau	4-7	5.38	2.02
	Denison University			
37.	Lambda	2-8	10.19	1.95
	University of Vermont			
	Upsilon	9-21	-2.33	1.95
	University of Minnesota			
38.	Omega	10-22	9.34	1.93
	University of California			
39.	Gamma Xi	5-10	.76	1.76
	San Jose State College			
40.	Alpha Chi	6-21	—	1.67
	Purdue University			
41.	Alpha	5-10	-7.19	1.51
	DePauw University			
42.	Alpha Mu	6-14	9.46	1.01
	University of Missouri			
43.	Beta Sigma	10-11	-18.01	.46
	Southern Methodist University	4-11		
44.	Omicron	9-17	-9.18	.38
	Southern California	5-11		

		Campus Rank	Theta Rank 1952-53 <i>Per Cent</i>	Theta Rank 1953-54 <i>Per Cent</i>
45.	Gamma Eta University of Massachusetts	3-7	.09	.18
46.	Beta Rho Duke University	7-13	—1.00	.15
	* Gamma Nu (Active over ALL WOMAN) North Dakota State College	2-6	3.60	10.29
	* Gamma Mu University of Maryland	4-17	13.04	6.78
	* Alpha Phi Newcomb College	4-10	5.10	1.80
	† Tau Northwestern University	9-13	—	—

All Sorority Average .00

47.	Gamma Upsilon Miami University	10-17	8.91	— .87
48.	{ Gamma Gamma Rollins College	3-7	8.53	— .81
	{ Mu Allegheny College	4-6	—6.15	— .81
	{ Gamma Lambda Beloit College	3-5	—3.88	—2.46
49.	Eta University of Michigan	14-20	—14.18	—2.94
50.	Gamma Phi Texas Tech	4-7	—3.79	—2.96
51.	Alpha Psi Lawrence College	5-6	—1.80	—3.15
52.	Iota Cornell University	10-13	— .05	—3.24
53.	Alpha Eta Vanderbilt University	7-8	6.08	—3.42
54.	Beta Omicron University of Iowa	11-13	2.10	—3.69
55.	Gamma Rho Santa Barbara College	6-8	2.42	—4.30
56.	Psi University of Wisconsin	13-16	1.67	—5.62
57.	Gamma Deuteron Ohio Wesleyan University	10-12	5.28	—5.69
58.	Beta Theta University of Idaho	6-8	—10.27	—8.89
59.	Alpha Omega University of Pittsburgh	11-16	9.25	—9.15
60.	Alpha Iota Washington University (St. Louis)	10-11	— .37	—9.75

			Theta Rank 1952-53 <i>Per Cent</i>	Theta Rank 1953-54 <i>Per Cent</i>
62.	Beta Lambda	9-9	-7.66	-11.54
	College of William and Mary			
63.	Alpha Pi	7-7	4.03	-11.73
	University of North Dakota			
64.	Gamma Omicron	6-7	-9.69	-12.02
	University of New Mexico			
65.	Beta Beta	9-9	-6.13	-12.29
	Randolph-Macon Woman's College			
66.	Gamma Iota	10-11	-4.01	-13.05
	University of Kentucky			
67.	Gamma Theta	6-7	.58	-13.55
	Carnegie Tech			
68.	Beta Omega	4-4	-.40	-14.39
	Colorado College			

* Gamma Nu, Gamma Mu, Alpha Phi reported active members only, hence they are not comparable. They are shown hereon for reference only.
† Tau gives no comparative reports, and chapter average only is given.
Beta Chi, University of Alberta; Beta Upsilon, University of British Columbia and Beta Psi, McGill University give no comparative reports.
Beta Eta, University of Pennsylvania, did not submit a report in time for this tabulation.

Theta's "Straight A" Students

Kappa Alpha Theta is extremely proud to publish our roster of "straight A" Thetas for the 1953-54 school year. Those names starred are members who achieved this outstanding record for the entire year. Engraved Citations recognizing an "A" average for one semester or two consecutive quarters have been presented by your National Scholarship Committee to the following:

Beta Dorothy Ayers Diana Fishbeck Le'Ann Dixon	Kappa Gayle Gould	Hannah Rutter Carolyn Whyman★ Joan Shirley Nancy Dubrawsky
Delta Florence Krabel★ Babette Stipes Virginia Thompson Jeanne Kreger	Lambda Carol Crossman★ Frances Kidder	Chi Jean Dale Jean Brydon Patricia Perry Eleanor Beig
Eta Sally Angell Patricia Raney	Gamma deuteron Jean Eddy Patte Hopkins★ Florence Murphy	Psi Susan Larsen Margaret Mortensen Karen Nelson
	Mu Alice Bowden	

Omega

Nancy Poe
Sharon Rowell

Alpha Gamma

Marjorie Pfeiffer

Alpha Eta

Gloria Mayer★

Alpha Theta

Sally Sparks★
Celia Buchan★
Sarah Ann Bevins
Carolyn Crockett
Josephine Klotz
Mary Margaret Miller
Marian Williams
Janet Wingate
Catherine Homan

Alpha Iota

Jackie Jordan★

Alpha Mu

Natalie Cobaugh

Alpha Omicron

Virginia Sue Bailey
Pat Delaney
Martha Plummer
Ann Pearson
Martha Spilman
Marisue Pounders

Alpha Rho

Margaret Drey
Jane Gunderson
Katherine Keil
Ann Whitmore

Alpha Tau

Marilyn Brunner★
Betsy MacFarland★
Nancy Simmons★
Shirley Fritto
Nancy Parry
Barbara Bolce
Ethel Lackey

Alpha Upsilon

Nancy Marsh

Alpha Phi

Yetive Letelier★
Madoline Stone

Alpha Chi

Ann Marie Jones

Alpha Psi

Peggy Landis★
Margaret Line

Beta Beta

Jeannine Defries
Nancy Rush

Beta Gamma

Carol Eliason★

Beta Zeta

Jacque McKenney
Jane Hilton

Beta Eta

Barbara Kuhn
Joyce Ann Souder

Beta Iota

Beverly Bruce
Donna Hall

Beta Nu

Pat Guthrie
Ruth Griffin
Bette Srygley★
Claire Kenyon
Yvonne McCarthy

Beta Rho

Constance Wise

Beta Sigma

Frances Fay
Diane Hall

Beta Tau

Ann Creel★
Barbara Rasor

Beta Phi

Dorothy Swanson

Beta Chi

Rita Dickson
Doreen Gibbons

Ann Hart
Barbara Hunt
Peggy Kubik
Flora Morrison
Elizabeth Schoffield
Marjorie Snowden
Margaret Stevenson
Pat Wotherspoon

Beta Omega

Gail Lund

Gamma Delta

Nancy Marshall

Gamma Epsilon

Diane McLaren
Joan Mortimer
Constance Sinclair
Patricia Demarary
Leonore MacDonald
Judith Dennison
Ruth Kinnear
Aldine Leathorne
Kay Miles

Gamma Zeta

Nancy Albro
Claire Christian★

Gamma Eta

Margot Bushey

Gamma Kappa

Ann Reid★
Beverly Blades

Gamma Lambda

Joan Kiewig

Gamma Pi

Caryl Ives

Gamma Rho

Jacqueline Steele

Gamma Tau

Sylvia Williams

Gamma Upsilon

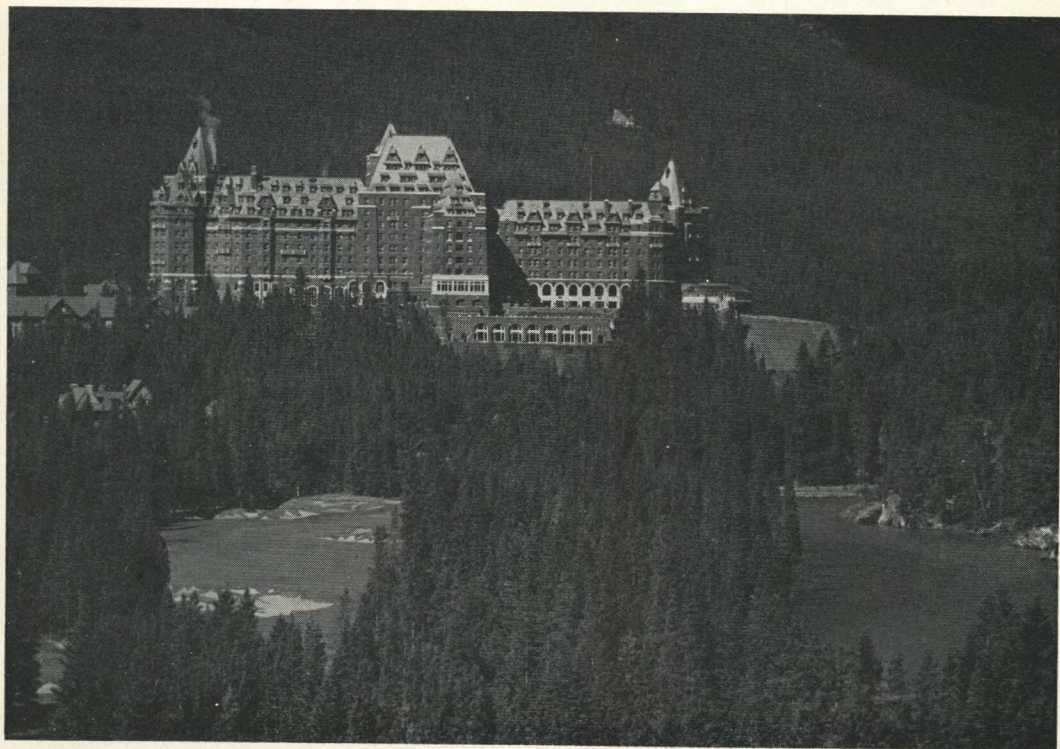
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Gamma Chi

Patti Royston

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The cost of the tour is \$441 Single, \$408 Double, which will include tourist air transportation, first-class hotel accommodation, meals where mentioned, sightseeing trips and taxi transfers.

This is a golden opportunity to visit these beautiful islands! Watch for further details in the fall magazine, but start planning for this trip now.

Cheerio from Southampton

• Adrianne Nail

Gamma

• Mary K. Lundquist

Gamma Xi

What a surprise for both of us on our very first day at an English university to find a Theta sister! Altogether there are five American girls going to school here—just enough to make the English students understand that bobby-sox and saddles are the standard dress for American coeds.

But if saddles and bobby-sox startled our English classmates, their academic dress of black gowns, resembling graduation robes, simply amazed us! However, we are now in the swing of things too, wearing our black gowns to lectures and to dinner every night in the dorm. In spite of the formal appearance of the academic gowns, clothes are usually casual here—except for the weekly formal dance, which involves long gloves for the girls, tails for their “partners” (not dates!), and their best bow and courtesy after every dance.

It seemed odd to us at first that everyone wore the same kind of scarf—and also many people had jackets that looked identical. It seems that the scarves are called university wraps; each university in England has a special one. The jackets are called university blazers, and are won through athletics, as our block letters are. The men go in for college clothes in a big way—ties with the university crest on them, and crests on jacket pockets and buttons too. The men’s residence halls even have emblems or crests of their own, which are found on ties and jewelry. The men students here consider our “DA” haircuts shocking; but we think the popular mustaches and beards are just as strange!

It’s a treat to have eight o’clock classes; lectures never start before nine o’clock, and roll call or attendance records are never checked. But in our lectures, which are not held as frequently as at home, we’re often “in a fog” because of the difference in the way everything is done. The English students begin to specialize even in high school, and are prepared for courses on a college junior level when they are

“freshers.” Our tutors have been wonderful, though, in helping us to become familiar with the system of independent study; and as one of them so aptly put it, “I’m not only here to help you with your scholastic problems, but your social problems as well.” Many important decisions concerning a student’s activities are left to his tutor for the final O.K. If he thinks one of his fledglings has been dating too much or not enough, there is very likely to appear in the student’s post box a little note inviting him to come in for a chat. However, the majority of the Southampton lecturers and tutors readily admit that parties and studies can be mixed.

The English students have never heard of anything like a pop quiz: exams are held at Christmas time, but the really important ones are only at the end of the year. Examinations are never objective, strictly essay, and three hours each.

What is most difficult of all is learning to say “college” instead of “campus,” and “university” instead of “school.” In England “school” is strictly below college level, and we are forever offending our classmates by referring to Southampton as “school.”

There is nothing here which actually takes the place of sororities and fraternities. In fact, the students are completely in the dark as to what fraternities and sororities are; and we have had a hard time trying to explain the idea to them. There are many clubs and societies here, both athletic and social, which are open to everyone. Most students belong to between two and six, depending upon their interests.

We were rather dubious of what to expect when we first read in the university literature that each dormitory has a warden in place of a house-mother, but we found this to be merely another difference between English and American terminology—our windows aren’t barred, and life in South Hill Hall compares very favorably with dorm life in the States.

Of course we miss home traditions like sing-

ing songs at dinner, and pin serenades on weekends; but our roommates think our Theta songs are lovely and are always urging us to teach them more. Our new friends just don't understand our system of pinnings, though. We will never forget the day an English chap confronted us with, "Have you ever been spiked?"

We can't get over the lack of spectators and enthusiasm at sports matches; cheer leaders and organized yells are unheard of. But the wide variety of sports for women as well as men, plus the fact that all matches are held on the same day, may account for the small number of fans.

College life centers around the refectory, which is similar to a cafeteria. All the students and lecturers drift in after lectures, and it is not uncommon to spend the whole afternoon sitting at one of the long wooden tables, discussing everything from the H-bomb to American bobby sox! If you want to find anyone during the day, the refec is the most logical place to look; and all the news of the day circulates from there. We have had many interesting chats in the refec—over a cup of tea, naturally—about life at American colleges. One custom we have told our fellow students about, and which amazes them, is working part-time while attending college. This is not permitted in England, and the men here do not see how working and studying can be combined successfully.

Social life at Southampton follows much the same pattern as that of a university in the States, with its annual vaudeville show, plays, flicks (that's movies!), and so on. But dances are sponsored by the university departments, instead of fraternities. Being late for a date here is just not the thing done, for your partner comes right to your room to call for you!

The different university departments, called faculties, take the place of fraternities and sororities in that you never say, "She's a Theta," or "He's a Beta"; at Southampton you are known by your faculty, so you may be a "chemist," or "engineer" or "dip. ed."

Time now for a cup of tea—made without a tea bag, of course. This is just one of the many wonderful English customs we are looking forward to sharing with our Theta sisters when we return.

Two for the Show

Much of the beautiful publicity received on DeLois Faulkner (Beta Zeta) as this year's Maid of Cotton was wistfully filed away so that scholarship and activity might not be superseded by beauty within the magazine pages.

But—irresistible to behold was this one fashion pose of DeLois modelling a Hope Skillman (Alpha Delta) fabric. As the head of Skillmills, Inc., Hope was featured in the fall issue of the magazine as the motivating power behind her million-dollar cotton textile firm—the only woman to hold such a position.

When two Thetas get together in such a manner as this, a picture becomes more than a picture. It becomes a symbol.



Two Thetas make a perfect picture.



Sigrid Foley

Legal Lady

• Frances Winston Harding

Beta Rho Chapter

Born in New York City of parents whose native homeland was Norway, Sigrid Pedersen Foley knew, at the age of eleven, where she was going. And ahead she went—to become a lady lawyer extraordinary.

Initiated into Beta Rho chapter at Duke in 1932, she was interested in many campus activities aside from her legal delving. She was a member of the staff of *The Chronicle*, the school newspaper, in her junior year and in her senior year was president of the Panhellenic Council and of the Forum Club, on the Social Standards Committee of Student Government, and active in Delta Phi Rho Alpha and EKO-L (both local sororities) the former honoring leadership and the latter scholastic achievement.

Further legal delving at Fordham Law and NYU (Master of Law degree) was spiced with work for Franklin Simon and Best & Co. First a saleswoman (personnel directors quickly discovered she was the crown jewel of the selling circle), then a personal shopper, outfitting customers for trips from Alaska to Afghanistan. And in between times, she also clerked in a law office.

Hard work? She loved it! And so good a salesman she was that Best & Co. offered her an enticing job as a buyer. While deciding what to do, she told her story to a customer to whom she was selling a hat and found herself not buying for Best, but probing trusts and wills for the Guardian Life Insurance Co. (The customer turned out to be Guardian's personnel director.)

Next came a tax session with the distinguished law firm of Cadwalader, Wickersham and Taft. She might still be there, if it were not for an NYU professor who sent her to J. Walter Thompson Company's legal counsel in 1942.

Persuaded that there was more opportunity—and fun—in applying the law to stale facts, she went to her present job: drawing up and helping J. Walter Thompson's Radio Department negotiate talent contracts, crystal-balling the legal concepts of television, avoiding "unfair competition," and legal-minding a host of other subjects.

Wizard that she is at law, the consensus of opinion is that she'd also make a beauty of a *Vogue* editor. She's chic, and especially famous for her hats and exotic earrings, some of which are made from treasured old buttons.

Another free-flowing talent is that of making friends. She sends out over five hundred Christmas cards—most of which bear personal little notes. She entertains at least once a week and never seems to cover half the people she would like to in a year. Fond of traveling (going to Norway on her honeymoon Sigrid starred in the ship's show), she has good friends in Oslo, London, Paris, Lisbon, Mexico, and in all the West Indian Islands.

She finds extra fun in dancing and swimming, and in the activities of the Association of the Bar of the City of New York where she's a member of a highly respected Committee of the Association. And she not only acts in the Association's annual shows, but also writes some of their boffola lines.

With all this, she has found time to remain loyally active and interested in Kappa Alpha Theta and was twice elected President of the New York Alumnae Chapter, delegate to Grand Convention at Mackinac Island in 1948 but unable, because of the press of business, to travel to Sun Valley in 1952.

Married about three years ago to Howard Foley—also in the advertising field but concerned with copy rather than law—she became, to quote her husband, "a wife extraordinary, a charming hostess, a wonderful cook, and a great interior decorator." (She loves Empire and, in fact, is an authority on that style.)

A salute to Sigrid Pedersen Foley—"the lady lawyer and wife extraordinary!"

Eleanor Harris (left) and television's Martha Rountree pictured at the Mayflower Hotel in Washington.

Tops in the Trade

When Eleanor Harris (Phi) was graduated from Stanford, a classmate bet her that she couldn't get a job writing for the movies within a week. During the depression that sounded like a good bet. With any other sweet girl graduate, it might have been. But Eleanor got a job with Twentieth Century Fox as a scenario writer within the week, won the bet, and started a writing career that has made her one of America's most successful magazine journalists—and among the highest paid.

This last year, she says, was a "violently active one" during which she "rushed all over" the United States and ten of her articles were published in various magazines. There was the Barbara Hutton story in *Look*, Edna Gladney in the *Woman's Home Companion* (as a result of which Edna Gladney was made the subject of one of Ralph Edwards' television shows, "This Is Your Life"), Lucille Ball in the *Reader's Digest*, billionaire Sid Richardson in *Look*, and many others. Her "profiles" of famous people include Bob Hope, Clark Gable, Imogene Coca, Faye Emerson, Lowell Thomas, Lilli Palmer, Martha Rountree, Adlai Stevenson, Richard Nixon and Princess Margaret. The outlets for these interesting subjects include all the top "slicks" in the magazine world.

Her one book, so far, was published in 1954, "The Real Story of Lucille Ball." The book has thus far sold 250,000 copies and was condensed in the *May Reader's Digest*. She has also written three Hollywood movies, the most recent being Cary Grant's "Every Girl Should Be Married." She is now in California writing an article on Gary Cooper for *Reader's Digest*, which we will doubtless be reading soon.



Aside from being an outstanding feature writer, Eleanor is also well known for her good looks and chic. She has, in addition, a quality of warmth, charm and gaiety that have identified her as one of the most stimulating conversationalists in the New York scene. These are qualities which have led to her successful interviews with celebrities, making it possible to draw forth interesting facts and facets which might not have come to light with a less vital person. Her writing seems almost to be a sideline to her personality, for Eleanor looks as if she had never heard of a typewriter, much less being able to use one so skillfully.

She has made more than thirty-five appearances on television shows, but one of the most amusing to her friends was one in which she didn't appear herself, at all. She was depicted by an actress as conducting an interview with Lucy and Desi on the *I Love Lucy* program, and apparently the actress who played the part of Eleanor Harris didn't know Eleanor—or she wouldn't have dared to appear in a tailored suit. As Harriet Van Horne, radio and television critic, said: "*I Love Lucy* gave a wildly inaccurate portrayal of my dear friend. Everybody at my house expected our Eleanor to walk breathless, voluble, her low-cut dress sliding off one shoulder. Well, 'Eleanor' arrived, a prim young miss in a tailored suit carrying a briefcase. Laughter was loud and prolonged. Our Eleanor would rather be found wandering about Times Square in her nightie than to be seen anywhere in a tailored suit. . . . The show lost a great deal by not giving us the real Eleanor; witty, brim full of life, quick to laugh."

Eleanor's charm have won her friends who

are as famous as the people she writes about, including Faye Emerson, Ann Miller, Kathleen Winsor, the John and Elliott Roosevelts, J. Edgar Hoover and numerous others who represent the theatrical, literary, diplomatic and political world. A world traveler, Eleanor has visited friends in Johannesburg, South Africa; in the Belgian Congo; in Paris, London, Rome, Vienna, Bern, Frankfurt, and in most of the United States. For two weeks this year she visited Elliott and Minnewa Roosevelt on their ranch in Colorado, sharing the guest house with Eleanor Roosevelt, whom she "thoroughly liked and thoroughly respected" (though remaining a staunch Eisenhower Republican). Although she lived the most of the year in New York, she managed to be in California, Colorado,

Texas, Illinois and Washington, D.C. Whatever her plans and activities may be for this year, it is safe to guess that they won't be dull.

Eleanor doesn't look much older than in her student days. She wears her dark brown hair in a softly curled style and would be typed as strictly feminine by anyone who didn't realize that many of her assignments, particularly the political ones, call for shrewd judgment and an analytical, not sentimental, attitude. Although her friend, Harriet Van Horne, suggests that if she carried a briefcase it would be filled with costume jewelry and flowers to pin in her hair, the possibility must be considered that she conceals her papers in a gaily colored purse . . . or secures her notes to the inside of her pocket with a rhinestone clip.

Destination Moscow

• Marjorie L. Wieder

Beta Phi Chapter

There is an old Russian proverb which says, "There is nothing above Moscow except the Kremlin, and nothing above the Kremlin except Heaven." Since that is scarcely the American viewpoint, one seldom hears the proverb quoted with plausibility in these, our United States. Since I could write a book about my trip to Moscow in January, 1954, I believe it best for me to attempt to summarize some of the highlights of my sojourn and the impressions gathered therefrom. Because I considered my visit to the Kremlin as the "highest light," let's start your armchair tour from just outside the Kremlin walls.

Permission to visit the Kremlin is not granted to everyone; as a matter of fact, most Russians have not visited this most important Russian shrine. As one of the first tourists in Moscow since the end of the war and a guest of one of the Americans at the Embassy, I was delighted to be invited to join a group consisting of American Embassy personnel and their wives on a tour of the Kremlin. This arrangement was made possible for all of us by some correspondence between the American Embassy and the Foreign Office (Russian). One of the first

statements made by our Russian-speaking guide, and in turn translated by our American interpreter, was: "I am sorry, but there will be no photographs today." But before we enter the gate and attempt to draw word-pictures of what lies within, allow me to brief you on the Kremlin's history as stated by the interpreter.

At the beginning of Moscow's history, the whole of the city was contained within the Kremlin's walls. By the middle of the 14th century, stone walls were constructed for both the purposes of protection from the enemy and of prevention against fire. When Napoleon captured Moscow in the 19th century he occupied some of the buildings of the Kremlin and destroyed others when he was pushed out of the city. In the 20th century the White Russians fought the revolutionaries from their stronghold within the Kremlin walls. Today, Marshal Bulganin occupies offices in the Soviet Government Building on the Kremlin grounds; not long ago Joseph Stalin lived in an apartment in the same area. Now let us begin our trek, in contemporary times:

Upon passing the Borovitskie Gate on foot, the buzzer and light system used to check and



Marjorie Wieder of Beta Phi chapter pictured in her apartment in Germany.

authorize entry by automobile for officials and VIP's to the world within, attracted the attention of the group. Although visitors are not taken to all of the buildings of the Kremlin, after a bit of a climb we were escorted to various ones by our guide, plainclothesman, and a uniformed guard.

First of all we had the 200-ton Tsar Bell pointed out to us as the largest bell in the world. This bell, which I assume was cracked by some accident, now rests on a base of marble. We pressed on for Cathedral Square which contains the old bell tower and some of Russia's famous churches. The Annunciation Cathedral in which we were allowed inside, has the high altar placed at the far end of the building and really out of sight for the worshippers (which I believe to be the layout for most Russian churches). The church was simply decorated with beautiful icons, sometimes placed on top of pulpits; the cathedral's bronze-carved doors are of master craftsmanship. From there, we went on to the armory which has been converted

to a museum and which contains many of the Tsar's possessions such as china, jewelry filled with precious stones, carriages, and an innumerable list of luxurious items.

The Kremlin Palace (1838) is the most interesting building on the Kremlin grounds. After climbing the great, red-carpeted stairway, we began to approach the Hall of St. George. The marble walls of this grand hall are inscribed with the name of each knight of the order. The beautifully and intricately inlaid floor is in itself something lovely to view. The Hall of St. George is used for state banquets now. Just a few weeks before our visit the Hall was used for a children's New Year's party.

The meeting place of the Supreme Soviet (national legislature) is a huge room within the palace. It was here that Mr. Malenkov's letter of resignation was received, and as a result he stepped down from his seat among the other members of the Presidium of the Central Committee of the Soviet Communist party.

The apartments of the Tsars are decorated with such things as tapestried wall coverings and matching upholstery for the furniture. One room was done almost entirely in a strange shade of green.

Red Square, just outside the Kremlin walls, is the mecca of Communism. The Lenin-Stalin tomb, St. Basil's Cathedral, the Museum and the new GUM department store form an unusual pattern against the sky. It is from here that the Premier reviews the parading troops and watches demonstrations.

The architecture of the city of Moscow is somehow different from that of any Western capital; the first glimpse of it upon approaching the city is indescribably striking. The architectural style of the Russian cathedrals contrasted to the Russian idea of the skyscraper is an unusual combination indeed. The skyscrapers are spread out in the city in order to "add more to the beauty of the city." Large concrete apartment buildings sometimes seem to create façades for run-down, unpainted wooden buildings in the immediate background.

The Metro is the favorite showpiece of the Russians and was, in fact, planned by British engineers. Since its construction was begun just 25 years ago the Russians took advantage of correcting the defects in the older subways of the West. Quite frankly, I would have guessed the subway entrances to be museum entrances.

To date, the Metro is quite clean.

Some of the famous works of art now owned by the Russians are hung in the Puschkin Museum. The masterpieces therein include Rembrandts, Peter Brueghels, Renoirs, Degas, Monets and Picassos. It has been only recently that the Impressionists' paintings were brought from their hideaway in the basement for the public to view. The Tretyakov Gallery, on the other hand, is filled with contemporary Russian paintings consisting largely of uninteresting and flat portraits of Soviet leaders; the originals of anti-American cartoons fill up a lot of the wall space of this museum.

There has been a new trend in the type of music coming over the air in the USSR. Popular, fast dance music is played even in the In-tourist dance floors; I did not see any jitterbugs but the couples were doing a sort of European fast step to the music. The Bolshoi Theater's productions are superb; the classical ballet and music combined with unique and wonderful stage sets add up to near perfection. The ballerinas are divinely graceful, and by far the most attractive Russian women I've ever seen. Television and three dimensional films exist in Russia but they have not been developed nearly to the point that we have reached in America.

At the theater one is afforded a good opportunity to see the Russian people at a fairly close range. Indoors the women wear a lot of silk prints or dark dresses which look out-dated to people of the West; most women wear severe hair styles and somehow have not caught the soft, casual style of Americans. Outdoors, the women may wear anything from leather boots and fur coats to quilted skirts and jackets and felt boots to protect themselves from the cold weather. The men wear dark suits and shirts, generally, or military uniforms with leather boots. Outside they wear heavy coats and lined caps with "ears."

Shopping in Moscow is very expensive because of the unfavorable ruble exchange for dollars; for example, the cost of a quart of milk amounts to 5 rubles (approximately \$1.25). Cabbages and potatoes are on display on the market stands rather than scarce items like green vegetables or fresh fruits.

There seems to be a lot of traffic in the streets of Moscow, and yet oddly enough trucks outnumber automobiles by about 5 to 1. These trucks seem to be manufactured with a mini-

mum of metal (tiny fenders) and are generally open at the top and breezy through the wooden slats on the sides. People, huddled close together in the back sections of these trucks, appear to be congealed. The double seat for the driver in front is covered. Most automobiles are state property in the USSR, because few individuals can afford to operate even a 4-cylinder Pobeda, for example. The large Zis automobiles belong to VIP's or state officials. The concentration of the five-year plans on heavy industry never does seem to include much progress in the passenger automotive industry.

Soviet air travel is just adequate and, in my case, safe. The well-trained Russian pilots seem to be experts in the art of smooth landings. Smoking is permitted all of the time aboard Soviet aircraft; the Soviet airplane in which I traveled was similar to an old air force plane and is a far cry from American or British commercial stratocruisers. The only time I felt suspicious about an omnipresence channelling me in just the right direction at the right time was en route to and from Moscow. Needless to say, my safe return flight to Berlin was a real relief to me.

A persistent campaign is waged against Americans via the press, radio, signs and posters. In view of the Soviet propaganda in Germany, I was surprised to find that the few Russians with whom I came in contact in Moscow did not give me the regular Communist-line propaganda. Since I do not know the Russian language I could not understand just what Radio Moscow was saying to the Russians to create anti-American feeling. One English-speaking Russian actually stated that there had been an easing of tension with the Malenkov regime; I was surprised that any Russian would not consider such a statement a dangerous one. Ordinarily, the Russians do not converse freely because they seem not to know the real meaning of free speech, or of freedom itself as a way of life, such as we are privileged to know it.

"When men can freely communicate their thoughts and their sufferings, real or imaginary, their passions spend themselves in air, like gunpowder scattered upon the surface; but pent up by terrors, they work unseen, burst forth in a moment, and destroy everything in their course." THOMAS ERSKINE on the Advantages of Free Speech.

Boston Presents

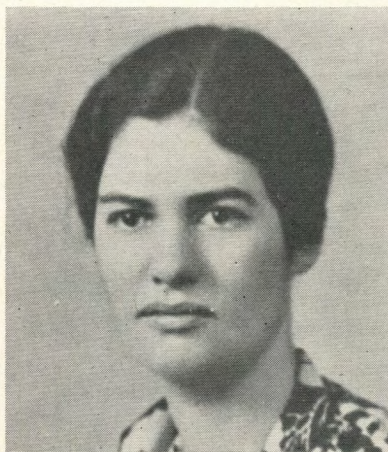
• Rhoda W. Clough

Boston Alumnae Chapter

A loyal and fascinating Boston Theta is Mabel Freemann Lagerlof, cited here in particular for her outstanding work with Braille transcripts for the blind. An ex-president member of the Boston Alumnae chapter, nationally she "scored" twice—undoubtedly more—at the 1952 National Convention in Swampscott, Massachusetts, as chairman of the executive committee and winner of the fancy dress award. How can any of you there forget her grand job and her portrayal of the "Gloucester Fisherman"? Needless to say, Mabel has friends and admirers far and wide and is beloved by Boston Thetas who both share and brag about her loyalty, talents, modesty, humor and gusto.

Like many other New Englanders, Mabel's childhood was spent elsewhere. Born in Norristown, Pennsylvania, she was graduated from its high school as salutatorian. Seems she continued as "a ball of fire" at the University of Vermont, where she was a prize initiate of Lambda in March 1927. Among her numerous activities, Lambda was especially proud of her membership on the university's debating team and in Tau Kappa Alpha (national debating club), as president of Mortar Board, and her delivery of the Ivy Oration at class day of commencement in 1930. Apparently studies failed to suffer, for Mabel was awarded a scholarship toward a master's degree which she obtained from her alma mater in 1931. Back to Pennsylvania, she attended and graduated from the Peirce Business School in Philadelphia, following which she taught history for six years at the Pottstown junior high school.

Mabel's marital and marine "career" started in 1939. Since that time she has enjoyed residence in Waltham, Massachusetts, as "1st Mate" of Karl G. Lagerlof and their sloop *Bottoms Up II* and, now, their auxiliary sloop *Tersen*. By now she's an expert home executive and proficient salt-water sailor. Her husband, an ardent sailor and member of the Boston Power Squadron, can boast that his "1st Mate" is especially seaworthy (due to Mabel's having passed tests given by the U. S.



Mabel Lagerlof of Boston

Power Squadrons for piloting, seamanship, weather and engine maintenance) and the world's best companion. They are both music lovers. Knitting, crocheting, embroidering, and making Swedish hand-made rugs are her favorite handicrafts when time permits.

Theta and volunteer work have absorbed Mabel's life for many years. From 1941-1945 she was busy with organizing a neighborhood group sewing for British War Relief, volunteer work with Civilian Defense and rationing offices, local hospital and Red Cross. Since 1945 she has done an outstanding job transcribing articles and books into Braille which have reached the blind in the U.S.A. and foreign countries. We are especially proud of her work now for she is transcribing music into Braille for the National Braille Press, Inc. in Boston. Using a text of her own writing, she also teaches the transcription of music into Braille.

Admirable and resourceful, amazing and amusing, Mabel F. Lagerlof has an enviable record of service to her home, community and country which makes us extra proud she is a Theta. May she continue to derive the joys, friendship and happiness, she brings others in both the sighted and the sightless world around her!

A Theta Builds

A Ghost Town

A hobby that grew and grew finally led Lois Nance Akers (Beta Iota), into an unusual enterprise. The hobby was collecting all sorts of relics from the early west—the west of the roaring days of the boom camps. The venture that emerged from this accumulation of antiques was a ghost town.

Out in Colorado, where Lois Akers lives in the shadow of lofty Pikes Peak, a ghost town has nothing to do with the spirit world. The term is applied to the mining camps that sprang up during the silver and gold rush era, lived their brief span of golden prosperity and then were abandoned. Aptly called ghost towns, inhabited only by pack rats and bats, they huddled forlornly in isolated gulches or near some worked-out diggings in the high country until time and the elements destroyed them.

It seemed to Lois that the ghost town idea offered a solution for finding a suitable home for all the mementoes of the past that crowded her basement, piled up in the yard and ran up mountainous bills in warehouses. Since the original towns had largely vanished long ago, the only thing to do was to re-create one.

Building a "new" ghost town outdoors seemed impractical; so the first task was to find a building large enough to cover an entire, full-sized town. That was not an easy assignment in non-industrial Colorado Springs, her home town, where buildings are partitioned for offices or stores. A further requirement was that the building should be old, in keeping with the ghost town to be. A modern factory building or one of those shiny, tinny utilitarian things in the outskirts of the city was inappropriate.

Eventually she found a vast stone structure whose cornerstone read 1899, with plenty of parking area around it. The structure in the abandoned yards of the defunct Midland Terminal railroad was left vacant after a half century of service as a machine shop when the gold-carrying road was junked. Desolate, the prey of vandals, the old structure was a virtual

ghost town in itself, certainly a suitable setting for one.

The chore was far more complicated, Lois found, than gathering the antiques had been. One doesn't call up a lumber yard and order 10,000 feet of 1 × 6's fifty or sixty years old. Neither can one order a hundred pounds of rusty, square-headed nails. A paint store clerk would have stared blankly if asked for wallpaper made in the 1880's. Imagine an architect's reaction if ordered to design a false-fronted town in the architectural style of the 1870-90 mining camps. So Lois was her own architect and scouted for all the old materials herself.

Once assembled, the piles of old lumber made the building's interior resemble pictures of a tornado-swept town. Shortly before Christmas, 1953, she began directing the workmen in converting the stacks of old lumber into ghost town buildings. It was June, 1954, before the last rusty nail was driven and the last "new" false-fronted building was furnished with the mining era antiques. The construction job had proved a long, headache-filled task—and expensive. As to the latter, her husband, Byron L. Akers, managing editor of the *Colorado Springs Gazette Telegraph*, has a lot of check stubs to prove it.

Now let's see what the ghost town looks like. Step into the old general store. There's be-whiskered Si—a mannequin—presiding over the counter. A lady customer (another antique mannequin) in the street attire of the 90's, has the choice of everything those supermarkets of a half dozen decades ago provided. Perhaps she wants some cotton ribbed stockings? There are sizes to fit all members of the family. A wasp waist corset, ribbons, high button shoes, voluminous split drawers? The store has them. Maybe she feels the need of a tonic. There are patent medicines guaranteed to cure everything from chills to tapeworm. Coffee is fifteen cents a pound and ready to go into the big coffee grinder. From bins in the old counter come



Lois Nance Akers, attired in a gay 90's costume, is shown in a buckboard on the Main Street of her Pikes Peak Ghost Town.

staples before the days of cans and packages. Shelves are piled with old utensils and even the crockery once found under every bed. Actually, nothing is for sale, although some of the visitors have become irate over the owner's refusal to sell any of the rare items.

The blacksmith shop stands deserted, the forge cold, the anvil no longer ringing to the hammer's beat. The old press in the newspaper office stands ready, amid the clutter of newspapers of an earlier century and old wooden type, to tell the story of another gold strike. On the editor's desk lies a Colt .44 as a reminder he's willing to back up his editorials.

Farther along the old board walk there's the 1878 red plush barber chair and array of shaving mugs awaiting wire-whiskered customers. In the lobby of the two story "hotel," a comely red haired young woman, gowned in the elaborate style of the 90's stands beside a century old rosewood square grand piano, her features light-

ed by the glow of a coal oil parlor hanging lamp. Upstairs, another young woman, less elaborately attired, glances enticingly out of the window.

The furnace in the assay office is out, but the samples of earlier rich strikes are mementoes of past prosperity. In the Wells Fargo Co. office, the moustached agent snoozes with an 1890 unread newspaper on his lap. Behind the stained glass and mirrored screen of the "Men's Club," stands an 1870 bar. Pictures on the walls advertise brews and liquors of long ago. Ready to raise its clamor from nine instruments, from mandolin and drums to pipe organ, is a ton size nickelodeon, the lead-glass front outdoing any church window. But the old whiskey bottles, big beer glasses and other equipment of the bar are empty—their contents presumably consumed long ago by members who clung to the top bar rail while resting one foot on the floor brass rail.

The clapboard livery stable looks down on coaches, a buggy with fringed top and other vehicles of the day when the horse was king. There's even a mammoth old fire pumper, one of the best preserved in the world, whose paint is as red and metal as gleaming as when it spouted black smoke while three matched horses raced it to a fire and created more excitement in passing than the blaze itself.

Along the dirt-covered street are more reminders of the past; an old surrey, bobsled of the early Leadville days, buckboard, bicycle built for two, water trough, hitching rails, the old town well, and even one of Edison's first big dynamos. In another corner, anyone who

wishes to pedal the Pianola attachment—the ancestor of the player piano—can see its wooden, felt-tipped fingers thump out classical or popular tunes of bygone generations on the keys of a stained-glass fronted saloon piano.

Such is Lois Akers' Ghost Town. She had a lot of fun building it and the thousands of tourists who visited it last summer enjoyed seeing it.

Creative in more ways than one, Lois Akers not only built her ghost town—but drew this verbal picture of it for those who, like herself, might be charmed by the past and its colorful mementoes.

Kathryn Gentry Clark Award

• Elizabeth P. Kennedy

Alpha Mu Chapter

The Kathryn Gentry Clark Award for the highest grades made in Alpha Mu chapter will be given yearly, presented at the end of the second semester. This award was established to round out the awards previously given: a Theta pin to the highest ranking freshman, silver bracelets to a sophomore, a junior and a senior in recognition of the greatest improvement. The last are provided by the alumnae of Columbia, Missouri. Phi Beta Kappa keys are provided by the Corporation. Several times there have been members of the chapter who have made outstanding grades, but who have not fit in the above categories . . . not being freshmen, or perhaps being already excellent and therefore unable to show improvement. To give these outstanding students the needed recognition, it was decided to sponsor the new award.

Because Kathryn had been an inspiration during her years in the chapter and a fine example of our ideals since, it has been named in her honor. She was initiated in 1910, but because of financial difficulties she was unable to graduate. During that time, she completed practically all the mathematics required of a four

year engineering course. She worked in the library in Kansas City and became a fine story teller on religious subjects.

After Kathryn's marriage in 1916, living in Dallas, she was sponsor for the group at Southern Methodist University who applied for a Theta charter. When it was granted, she was presented with a diamond pin in gratitude. Also, she sponsored and for a while led a Bible study class, which grew to such proportions that it had to be moved to a large university classroom. Wherever Kathryn lived, she started Bible study groups and took an active part in school and church activities. In 1950, she passed away in Austin after several years of acute physical suffering.

A mental picture of her calls to mind a happy, companionable, witty girl whose quiet strength and gentle manners made her beloved by all who knew her. Indeed, we are sure that we entertained an angel unawares, and are enriched for having had her as a friend. Certainly, she stood for all those qualities of heart, mind and soul which we believe an ideal Theta represents.

Founder's Day Folio

At Stillwater

In Oklahoma, the alumnæ, active members and pledges of Kappa Alpha Theta celebrated the 85th year of Theta's founding with a luncheon in the Student Union at Stillwater.

Especially honored were the charter members of Beta Zeta chapter, which was installed on the Oklahoma A & M college campus July 5, 1919 by 36 young women of which 30 are still living, and of these, eleven were present. They were the Mesdames Maud Bandel Kite (W. C.) of Oklahoma City; Fearn Hamilton Cross (F. B.), Ruth Hill Wilber (Philip A.) and Opal Skaer Reed (S. L.) all of Stillwater; Katherine Neerman Orth (A. J.) of Tulsa; Margaret Russell Black (James B.) of Lawton; Edith Buffington Blood (K. D.) of Oklahoma City; Florence Kraemer Crowder (Ancil) of Perry; Gladys Hobbs Markland (Waldo) of Tulsa; Beulah Mondy Roberts (Clarence) of Oklahoma City; and Miss Mary Russell of Chickasha.

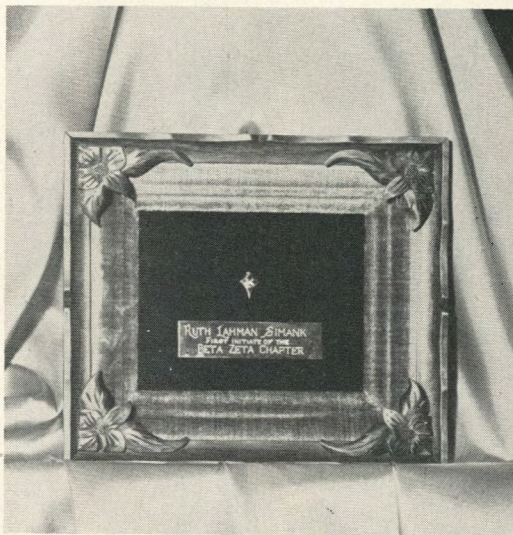
Josephine Haight, alumnæ club president, was mistress of ceremonies. She introduced Alma Brooks Weaver (Walter) of Tulsa, as having been the first pledge of the Beta Zeta chapter. Alma Weaver presented the founders with a bronze plaque, which had been draped with a gold cloth. On this plaque is the Theta crest, the names of founders and date of its founding on the A & M campus. The plaque will be given a prominent place in the chapter house.

Others in the ceremony, which was only for active and alumnæ members were Mrs. H. C. Olson, who read notes from founders unable to attend, also the Mesdames C. H. Jones, Kermit W. Ingham and F. W. Endorf. Gayle Rodgers of the active chapter lighted candles to the four founders.

The speakers' table was decorated in the fraternity colors of black and gold. A black basket

• Lucille Grady Allen

Beta Zeta Chapter



In a gold frame, against a black velvet background, rests the Theta pin of one of the chapter's founders, the late Ruth Lahman Simank.

of gold colored jonquils and acacia with huckleberry, fern and ivy was flanked by hurricane lamps holding gold candles. The lamps were encircled by ivy, a symbol of the fraternity. The long tables, covered with white cloths, held crystal star candle holders in which were placed tall gold tapers. Ivy was strewn in the center down the entire length of the tables.

Each Beta Zeta founder's place was marked with a gardenia corsage, tied with black and gold ribbons, and a name tag of black with gold lettering. In the alcove, where gold candles were placed honoring the founders, was a gold recessed picture frame, with a black velvet background, on which the pin and gold name plate rests of one of Beta Zeta's beloved founders, the late Ruth Lahman Simank. On the other side of the founders' candles was the original charter on parchment and in a gold frame.



Shown standing in front of the bronze plaque with the names of the founders of Beta Zeta chapter are, left to right: Fern Hamilton Cross, Edith Buffington Blood, Gladys Hobbs Markland, Opal Skaer Reed, Ruth Hill Wilber, Katharine Neerman Orth, Maude Bandel Kite, Florence Kraemer Crowder, Margaret Russel Black, Beulah Mondy Roberts and Mary Russell.

At Atlanta



Seated are the honor guests at Atlanta's Founders' Day tea; the two receiving Fifty Year certificates are (left) Emma Simmons Hollowell, (Mrs. M. L.) an initiate of Chi in 1892, and (right) Caroline Cone (Mrs. Earl H.), an 1898 initiate of Chi. Standing are Jane Chadwell Delony, Alumnae District President, and Daphne Parks Majors, president of the Atlanta club.

At San Antonio



Isobel Hansen Herwiek (Beta Phi), Olive Lyman Webb (Upsilon) and Lulie Webb Walker (Alpha Eta) dress up for Founders' Day at San Antonio, Texas.

The middle of January brought the following invitations from the executive committee to all San Antonio Thetas:

"On the twentieth-seventh of January in fifty-five There'll be an alum celebration at McAllister's Hive

That's where all of the Thetas will mix
At exactly the hour of half after six
It's Founders' Day and we'll wear as a rule
A gown of the period when you were in school
So plan to attend and please don't wait
But call me now at PE two one five nine eight."

A word of explanation—"McAllister's hive" refers to the home of Mrs. W. W. McAllister Jr., who is always gracious hostess on Founders' Day. Fashions of the past fifty years were well represented. It was a gay evening with all serious business forgotten. We were delighted to have several of our college Thetas, who were home for semester vacation, join us in the celebration.

• **Jeanne Richey Christian**
San Antonio Alumnae Chapter

At San Francisco

• **Marilyn Norton McPhee**
San Francisco Alumnae Chapter

Beautiful Lakeside Olympic Club, overlooking San Francisco, was chosen as a fitting site for the celebration of Founders' Day when four neighboring groups joined forces to enjoy an outstanding celebration that will long be remembered.



Margaret Todd Holland, Beta, receives Fifty Year certificate from Grand Third Vice-President Alice Gonser.



National Historian Carol Green Wilson presents Fifty Year certificate to Pearl Judson Somers, Omega.

The candle lighting ceremony was beautifully handled by the four presidents—Sallie Fagen Gould of the San Francisco Alumnæ chapter, Barbara Gingg Skerry of the Palo Alto Alumnæ club, Mary Louise Melvin Smurr of the San Mateo-Burlingame Alumnæ club, and Elise Bertheau Stillman of the Marin County Alumnæ club.

Toastmistress Rowene Thompson Kerlin (Beta Mu) introduced, with her usual ease and charm, the guests of honor: Grand Third Vice-President Alice Gonser, District Alumnæ President (VII and IX) Virginia Oliver, National Historian Carol Green Wilson, District College President (IX) Genevieve McDuffee, and chairman of the Advisory Board for Omega chapter,

Fran McDonald.

These guests then introduced our Fifty Year members and presented awards to the following: Amy Coombs Dunlap (Omega '03), Margaret Todd Holland (Beta '96—Charter Member), Pearl Judson Somers (Omega '05), Jean McIntosh (Phi '03), Alice Myer Buck (Omega and Phi '00), Julia Morgan (Phi '03), Minna Stillman (Phi '00), Winifred Caldwell Whittier (Phi '96), and Eugenia Lindstrom Colby (Phi '96). We are very proud of these Fifty Year Thetas and were sorry that not all of them could attend the celebration and share with us an even stronger and more endearing love for the Founders who made this day possible.

At Kansas City

• Nancy Gupton Aitken

Kansas City Alumnæ Chapter

Marjorie Hires Gage, Kappa, was named "Kappa Alpha Theta Woman of the Year" at the Founders' day dinner January 27 of the Kansas City, Missouri, Alumnæ Chapter. The first recipient of an award that is planned as an annual event was given a gold crested medallion in honor of her many years as an active civic

worker. Mrs. Gage, the wife of a former mayor, lives at 1230 West 58 street.

Her activities the past year include service on the county grand jury as well as being a vice-chairman on the executive committee of the Citizen's association. Also she is on the board of trustees of both the Kansas City Art Insti-

Pictured at the Kansas City Founders' Day Banquet are, left to right: Marjorie Hires Gage (Kappa) named "Theta of the Year"; Dorothy Carothers Holmes (Alpha Tau) Kansas City Alumnæ chapter president, and Eleanor Blakey Blackmar (Kappa) awarded a plaque for 50-year membership.



tute and School of Design and the city trusts. She has been women's chairman for Jackson County infantile paralysis work and a state trustee of the James Monroe foundation.

Long-time service to these other organizations has been offered: Boards of Sunset Hill school, Girl Scouts, Woman's City Club and the Junior League; former leader in the United Campaign, Heart and Red Cross drives; civil defense co-chairman and vice-chairman of the Servicemen's Club during World War II; Southwest Community Council and youth movement in the 1934-38 city elections, and past-president of the

Kansas City Women's Golf association.

Another feature of the Kansas City Founders' Day dinner was the presentation of a 50-year membership plaque to Eleanor Blakey Blackmar, Kappa.

The program was a dramatization of the founding of Theta at DePauw university, planned by Sally Welker Thompson (Kappa). Carol Montgomery Bennett, (Alpha Upsilon), and Martha Holmes Longmire, (Beta Sigma), gave musical selections. Lila Doughman Hunter (Kappa), was in charge of the dinner.

At Westchester

• Rosemary Crawford

Chi Chapter

The Westchester (N. Y.) Theta Club celebrated Founders' Day on February 9 at the home of Orrel Baldwin Noble of Psi chapter.

Dottie French, Alumnæ President of our District was the guest speaker, with Eloise Maffett, alumnæ editor of the magazine, as a guest. Mary Margaret Campbell Banks (Eta), president of the club, was assisted in the ritual by Beatrice Boyer Beattie and Mary Elizabeth Deming Combe, who represented the Scarsdale club. Rosalie Cecil, (Beta Sigma) represented the Bronxville club, and Dorothy Robertson Bates

(Chi), the Shore club. Mary Savacool Saunders of Adelphi, also a representative of the Shore club, gave a talk on the Friendship Fund.

Maxine Farley Shaw (Beta), president of the Scarsdale club, and Anne Tuttle Geary (Lambda), president of the Shore club, are to serve as co-chairmen of the Westchester club's forthcoming benefit dessert bridge, which will take place in April. Proceeds from the dessert bridge will go to the Institute of Logopedics and to Mobility, Inc., a rehabilitation center which is our local philanthropy.



At Westchester, left to right: Orrel Baldwin Noble, Mary Margaret Campbell Banks, Dottie French, Alumnæ District President, and Eloise Maffett, alumnæ editor.

At San Diego



Alumnæ chapter president, Juliana Bollen Chapman (Tau), hands a Fifty-Year certificate to Mary C. Baker (Phi), while the local last-year recipients of certificates (l. to r.) Charlotte Knox Perrill (Beta), Myrtle Baldrige Simons (Kappa), and Rouie Adair White Collins (Pi), look on at the San Diego Founders' Day banquet.

silhouette

Eleanor Hodgson



Finding particular expression for her abilities in the field of ceramics, Washington proudly presents one of its most interesting Thetas—Eleanor Hodgson of Gamma Mu, who was graduated from the University of Maryland

recently with a degree in art education. She has studied toward a Master of Fine Arts degree at Cranbrook Academy of Art in Bloomfield Hills, Michigan, in order to further her career.

Five of her unusual and distinctive entries in ceramics were selected recently to be exhibited in the ninth annual Area Exhibition at the Corcoran Gallery of Art in Washington, D.C. Four of the exhibits were ceramics, of which one porcelain weedpot won an award. The fifth entry was a silver necklace and earring set of Eleanor's design. Last year she exhibited in the display of the Philadelphia Art Alliance.

Eleanor was rush chairman while in school, and house manager for Gamma Mu chapter. She is now an instructor in the department of practical art at the University of Maryland, specializing in ceramics and crafts. Her plans are to teach for at least two more years, although her immediate prospects involve plans for her wedding in April to, as she says, "One of my students."

Eleanor lives in College Park, close enough to keep up with the activities of the Maryland chapter where fifteen of the recent graduates are forming a Junior Alumnæ club.

• **Betty Wentworth Phillips**
Washington Alumnæ Chapter

And Forbid Them Not

• Nancy Baus O'Conner

Sacramento Alumnæ Chapter

"Furthering the welfare and progress of children in distress" was the goal of Sacramento alumnæ this past year. Their combined efforts to achieve this goal were responsible for a very successful charity benefit dance.

After considering any number of worthy local charities which could profit by such a venture, the members as a body began working on plans for the dance. They finally chose to support the Sacramento Crippled Children's Society and Adult Rehabilitation Center because of the similarity of its work to the national philanthropy at the Institute of Logopedics. The Society also had an urgent need for funds in order to continue with its present building expansion program.

Working with their president, Mrs. W. W. Workman (Isabelle Patterson, Beta Omega) and project chairman Mrs. E. W. Stroppini (Ann Fisher, Beta Iota) they began to plan for the event. The dance was scheduled to be held on the night of November 6th in the Senator Hotel in Sacramento. The members were so enthusiastic over the coming project that early in the summer they began talking to their friends and neighbors about checking this date on their calendars as a special Theta night. By September, the bids bearing the theme name *Cornstalk* had been printed for distribution.

At this time, Mr. Guy Heilman, president of the Society invited little Shelley Bahr to come with her mother to our October meeting to meet us. She had just been chosen to be the 1955 Easter Seal Sweetheart of Sacramento County. The Thetas were all very happy to meet this brave little girl, who symbolizes the many who are in need of help. They also had a chance to become better acquainted with the benefits and needs of the Crippled Children's Society itself.

At last the date arrived, and Thetas, escorts and friends arrived at the Empire Room for an evening of dancing and fun. By the end of the evening, everyone felt the dance had definitely

served a dual purpose, benefiting the worthwhile cause for which it was given and providing enjoyment for the members and their friends. The Thetas left, greatly encouraged by the enthusiasm of many guests who said they were already anticipating the same project next year.

Thetas felt even more rewarded when the total proceeds were counted, and a check for this amount was presented to Mr. Heilman. Needless to say, the Sacramento Thetas are looking forward to their second annual benefit dance for the Home and Center, and hope that other alumnæ groups, who might have hesitated to undertake such a venture in the name of Philanthropy, will read of this and be encouraged to plan such a dance of their own.



A check is presented to Guy Heilman, president of the Crippled Children's Society and Adult Rehabilitation Center by (left) Isabel Patterson Workman and (right) Ann Fisher Stroppini of the Sacramento Valley Alumnæ chapter.

Starlight School

- **Helen MacSwords**
Beta Tau Chapter



Members of Beta Tau help with the children in Starlight School of Newark, Ohio.

Beta Tau of Kappa Alpha Theta is now engaged in the Starlight School Service project. It is located in the basement of a suburban school on the north side of Newark, Ohio. There are twelve mentally retarded children in the class ranging from six to sixteen years old. The purpose of the class is to help these children adjust to the customs and traditions that our society requires of them. When they finish this class it is the hope that these children will be able to participate in community living and cooperation. Mrs. Southard, their teacher, has greatly aided our understanding of these children.

We visit their class once a week from 1:30 to 2:30. As a group we learn new songs, dances, and act out certain stories. Sometimes they enjoy expressing themselves in painting and drawing. I have noticed that these children have a great deal of interest in music and rhythms and have purposely introduced them to various instruments such as the harmonica or the ukulele. They pick up the rhythm of these instruments and often keep time to the music by tapping their feet or clapping their hands.

At first the children were shy and unsure of our presence but now they greet us with open arms and smiling faces. Several of the girls in

the chapter are interested in speech therapy and have had an opportunity to work with the children individually, helping them to form their words and speak more clearly. The enjoyment of working with these children comes from the progress they show from one week to the next. Just last week one of the children who is unable to speak (she just makes noises) came over as we were leaving and after a few feeble noises came from her mouth she said the word, "Valentine." It is impossible to express the pleasure that the one word meant to us.

We are still in the experimental stage of this project but each time we visit the school we obtain new ideas and ways to help and to entertain these children. Furthermore, the whole chapter is behind this project, all sharing a common interest in their welfare. Next year it is our hope that we might expand the project in such a way as to give more of our time to these children.

Thousand Dollar Club

- **Maxine Chambers Engert**
Beta Rho Chapter

The members of the Champaign-Urbana Alumnae Chapter had the time of their lives working to get ready for our Mardi-Gras benefit dance held the 22nd of February. We have held similar dances in the past, and through this fun have become members of the Thousand Dollar Club for the Institute of Logopedics as well as contributors of equipment (carefully labelled with K A Θ) which is used (oh, so beneficially!) by our local Curative Center.

This year our profits are to be divided once more between our national project and a local one. We are using our local funds to aid in the fight against juvenile delinquency being waged in our country. Through the Council of Social Agencies (which has a busy Theta as one of its most active members) our money will begin a new fund to be used on an emergency basis. It will provide care for newborn infants, money for foster care, etc. as well as help for the older children.

We are extremely proud to be originating such a worthwhile and needy project and feel that we are fulfilling our duty as loyal Thetas in fulfilling our duty as good citizens.

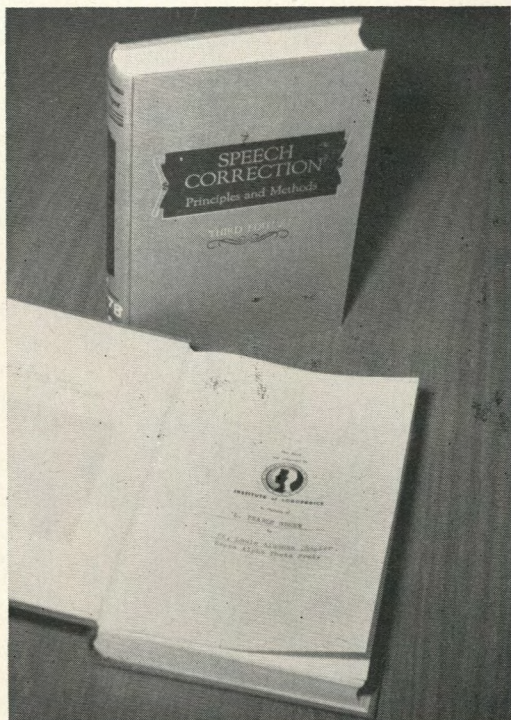
Lest We Forget

• Mary X. Plummer
Philanthropy Chairman

We live, surrounded by sound. Much of this sound is in the form of words which we use to make known our wants, our thoughts and our emotions. Yet there are thousands of men, women, and children, who are not able to do this, because they do not have the power of speech. In 1946, Kappa Alpha Theta chose the Institute of Logopedics as its major philanthropy, and accepted the responsibility of doing its bit to "bring speech to the silent." Through the years, individual Thetas and Theta groups have developed the custom of memorial gifts to the Institute, a gracious method of acknowledging an outstanding alumna, and honoring the memory of loved ones.

We, who knew and loved L. Pearle Green, feel the use of the memorial fund, started by the very generous gift of \$1,000 from the St. Louis alumnae chapter, has been used as a fitting tribute. The shelves in the library of the Institute now have more than fifty new volumes which deal with subject matter in the field of Logopedics and the allied sciences. To mention a few: "Voice Science," by Judson and Weaver; "Recovery from Aphasia," by J. M. Wepman; "The Phonetic Alphabet," by Francis A. Cartier; "Oral and Facial Deformity," by C. Kerr McNeal; "Fundamentals of Otolaryngology," 2nd Edition, by Lawrence R. Boies; "Fundamentals of Neuropathology," by W. B. Dublin; "Textbook of Pediatrics" 6th Edition, by W. E. Nelson; "Essentials of Abnormal Child Psychology," by Ernest Harms; "Education of the Sub-Normal Child," by Frances Lloyd; and many others, rich in material, for study and research.

Then, in the lecture room for the professional training students, there are fifty-three chairs of the Samson folding tablet armchair type. The arms, which are made of fine selected hardwoods, are folded back when not in use by students and can be used by visitors when demonstrations with the children are held. Memorial plaques will be placed in the library and lecture



One of the many books that make up the L. Pearle Green Memorial at the Institute, given by the St. Louis Alumnae chapter.

room.

From Oslo, Norway, Miss Liv Johannessen has come to Wichita to study Logopedics as applied to children with cerebral palsy. Miss Johannessen learned of the complete professional training and research program offered at the Institute, through the United States Educational foundation in Norway. She secured a scholarship and is taking advantage of the specialized training at the Institute. Her first year's textbooks have been furnished her from the interest received from the government securities, which were purchased by the thoughtful and generous gifts of so many Thetas, and Theta groups, to the Elsie Cuthbert Fergus Memorial.



Part of the furnishings in the living room of a Theta Court apartment given by the Des Moines Alumnæ chapter in memory of Katherine Frye. The living room and bedroom furniture is of red maple.

Omaha alumnæ chapter have honored their beloved Pauline Moore with books, the binding of many books, an auditory training unit used in the classroom for older children who are deaf and hard of hearing, and furniture for the library.

In memory of Flora Wilson, Alpha Delta chapter and the Baltimore alumnæ chapter gave one-handed typewriters as their gift. These are used in the occupational therapy department where older students are taught to type. One is being used by the Institute's librarian, who had his very highly specialized training there.

A number of very valuable books were the gift of the Madison alumnæ chapter and Mrs. G. H. Rieman, in memory of Mr. Osman Fox.

A fine record cabinet given by the Gary alumnæ chapter in memory of Marjorie Dorman McAtee is used in the recording studio.

Many wonderful books were purchased with the generous gift of the Denver alumnæ chapter, in memory of Betty M. Garwood.

An auditory training unit and an extra set of

head phones, which find constant use in the pre-school classroom for the children with impaired hearing, was the remembrance of the Oklahoma alumnæ chapter, in memory of Mrs. Arnold Berg.

The furnishing of a living room and bedroom in one of the Theta Court apartments was made possible by the Des Moines alumnæ chapter in memory of Katherine Frye. Also was given a table hearing aid in memory of Mrs. Arnold Berg, and a gift to the building fund in memory of Susan Miller.

Additional shelving for the technical library was given by Theta friends of Kirkwood, Missouri, in memory of Mrs. Doine Williams Broemmelsick.

The gift of Mrs. Guilford Dudley through the Topeka alumnæ chapter, in memory of her son, Guilford Dudley, Jr., was used to further the habilitation of two of the most severely handicapped, but most promising, children in training at the Institute.

A screen was the gift of Alpha Phi chapter

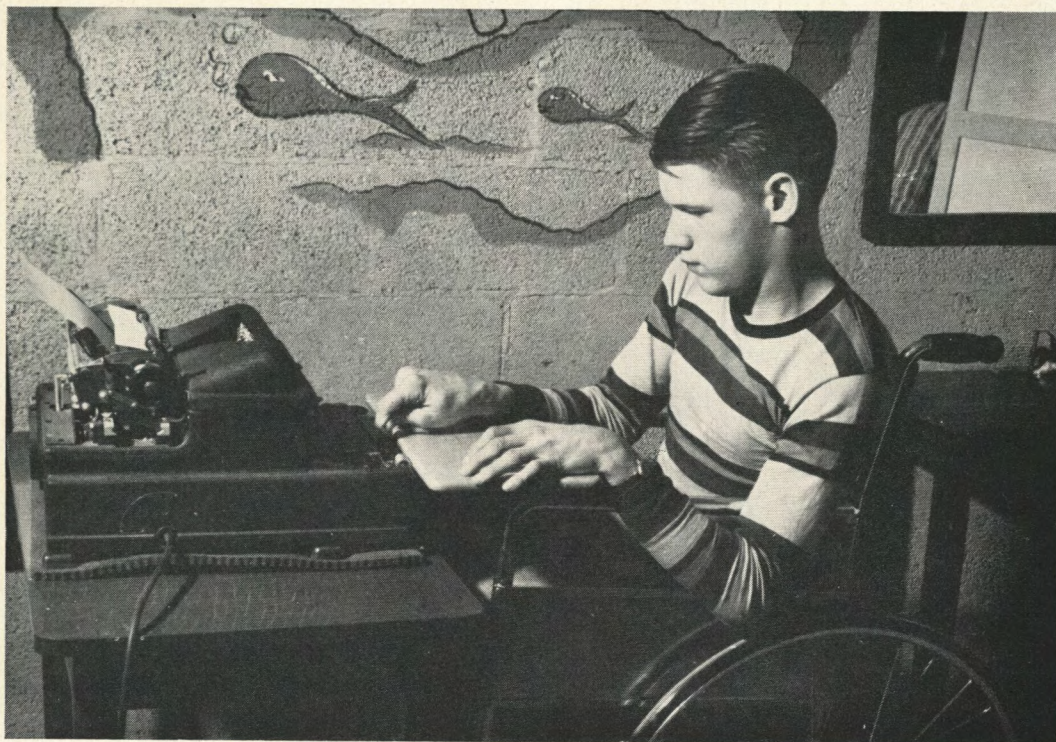
in memory of Miss Lois Ellsworth.

The list of fine book gifts is infinite. It shows the reverence Thetas have for those who were dear friends, and the important place the Institute of Logopedics is taking in their lives. Memorials are a true measure of friendship, and in the poetic words of Kay McElroy, friendship is interpreted:

"It comes unwrapped
Untied with fancy ribbon.
It costs no moneyed sum—
Silver and gold could never buy
Its likeness.
No messenger rings a bell
Nor hands through a door
This gift.
Silently, like the dawn
It comes.
And like the dawn, brings
The sun's warmth to your being."



Her instructor's voice brings a smile of pleasure to this little girl who is enjoying the table model hearing aid given by Des Moines Alumnae chapter in memory of Mrs. Arnold Berg.



Alpha Delta Chapter presented two one-handed typewriters in memory of Pauline B. Moore. One is used in occupational therapy with children who have cerebral palsy, and the other is in the library where Mr. Berger, who is handicapped, makes great use of it.

Think It Over

• Charlie Fenton Clarke

Chairman, Magazine Agency Fund

"No life is worth living that is not based upon continual sacrifice for worthy end."

In these unusual times, people are turning more and more to magazines for information and for enjoyment. Magazines in every field are presenting authoritative current comment on vital subjects. Increasing numbers of best-selling novels first appear in magazines, together with short stories and features by the best American authors. Magazine reading has become a habit with millions of people and many read several magazines regularly.

Have you ever looked around at home to see what magazines you have subscribed to or purchased at the newsstands? Did *YOU* send in for these magazines through your Theta Magazine Agency or did you send them direct to the publishers? What about the magazines you pick up each week or month at the newsstand? Why not order these through your Theta Magazine Agency? Our magazine agency offers our Kappa Alpha Theta groups and individual Thetas the opportunity to make a nice profit for our philanthropy and also to credit this profit in their group's name.

Here are four reasons why it pays to send your Theta Magazine Agency your orders:

1. Theta philanthropy benefits from the profits.
2. With *one* order and *with* remittance you can send your magazine agency as many subscriptions as you wish to order. You benefit by centralizing your orders.
3. Your orders are given immediate and efficient attention.
4. You are giving credit to your own alumnae group or college chapter to build up their individual gift to the Institute of Logopedics.

Here is how to use your magazine agency. Sales are what count—not just promises:

Look up the price of the magazine or magazines you wish, state length of subscription, whether new or renewal and your name and address where magazine is to be sent. Include postal zone number in the address if in a zoned city. If a gift subscription, state it and give the

name to whom it is to be sent as well as donor's name and address. This last is very important and is stressed by *ALL* publishers. Also if you wish gift cards sent and name to be signed on card. For renewal or special offers, send them in the same way accompanied by any special leaflets sent to you giving this special offer. We make good profits on these too!

I have heard various magazine chairmen say it's hard to get people to use our agency due to errors and delays. How many of you have sent in orders and want delivery within three weeks or less? Many delays are caused *in the publisher's office* and *not* with your Magazine Agency. All publishers require an ample period of time in which to start service on subscriptions. Several weeks are required at all times for proper entry and sending of first copies, and in the exceptionally busy Christmas season, more time is required because of the tremendous volume of subscriptions handled. Renewals should be placed 90 days in advance of each subscription's expiration to insure that copy service will continue uninterrupted.

1954 has been a good year for orders but we can make it even a better one in 1955. Last year's sales and profits from our magazines were the highest since we started this project. Not to outdo the record of our former Magazine Chairman, Lois Harris, who during her seven years has done an outstanding piece of work, but this year I hope we can even go higher. When one reads of one of the NPC groups sending in as much as \$51,000.00 in gross sales orders, in 12 months from 12 districts (the highest district turning in \$7,400.00) one wonders why Theta can not do as well or even better. From September 29, 1954, to January 25, 1955, when I took this chairmanship, our gross sales have been \$7,770.23 from 16 districts. Not startling!

Just because one has only one small order, with subscription costing only a dollar or two, please send it along. Nothing is too small—a

few pennies soon add up to many dollars. I am sure every household has at least one or two magazines around the house that no one but the publishers made a profit on. Won't you join the "profit parade" of alumnæ groups and individuals who are sending in orders? Let's sell more—earn more and win more profits for our philanthropy and pile up profits with volume sales!

This 1955 brings forth a challenge, a challenge to serve others, a challenge to bring help and happiness to those handicapped. Won't

you help to make the paths of those afflicted a little smoother? In our busy lives we can pause for a moment to count *OUR* blessings and then take up the challenge to help.

"I am only one,
But I am one.
I cannot do everything,
But I can do something.
What I can do I ought to do,
And what I ought to do,
By the Grace of God I will do."



Special Offers

AMERICAN HOME—through April 30, 1955 (U.S. & U.S. Poss.) new and renewal	16 Mos.	2.00
AMERICAN MAGAZINE—through April 30, 1955 (U.S., U.S. Poss. & Canada) new and renewal	18 Mos.	3.00
BETTER FARMING—with Handbook until further notice (U.S. & Canada)		
—3 years	M.	2.50
—5 years	M.	3.50
CHANGING TIMES—through May 31, 1955 New subscriptions 6 Mos.—plus book "99 New Ideas on Your Money, Job & Living for 1955"		2.00
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CORONET—through April 15, 1955 (U.S. & Canada) new and renewal	20 Mos.	3.00
DUN'S REVIEW & MODERN INDUSTRY—through June 30, 1955 (U.S., U.S. Poss. & Canada) new subs	10 Mos.	2.50
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In U.S.—new subs only	78 weeks	7.87
In U.S.—new subs only	39 weeks	3.99
In Canada—new subs only	70 weeks	7.87
In Canada—new subs only	39 weeks	3.99
NATURE—through August 31, 1955 (In Continental U.S. & Canada)	8 Mos.	2.00
—New subscriptions	5 Mos.	1.00
NEWSWEEK—through August 31, 1955 (In Continental U.S. & Can.) new subs.	44 Wks.	3.37
READER'S DIGEST—Spec. Offer through August 31, 1955 (U.S. & U.S. Poss., A.P.O.—F.P.O.) New subscriptions only	8 Mos.	1.00
SATURDAY REVIEW—February 1 through May 1, 1955 (In U.S.) new subs	44 Wks.	3.69
TIME—until further notice (U.S. & Canada)	78 Wks.	6.87
	42 Wks.	2.97
U.S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT—through June 30, 1955 New subscriptions	26 Wks.	2.67
WOMAN'S HOME COMPANION—through April 30, 1955 (U.S., U.S. Poss. & Canada)	14 Mos.	2.45
1 Year each of: WOMAN'S HOME COMPANION—AMERICAN MAGAZINE—COLLIER'S Through April 30, 1955 (U.S., U.S. Poss. & Canada)		6.00
Combinations (to one address) March 1 through April 30, 1955—In U.S. & Canada		
SATURDAY EVENING POST and LADIES' HOME JOURNAL	1 yr.	7.50
SATURDAY EVENING POST, LADIES' HOME JOURNAL and HOLIDAY	9 Mos.	7.50
	1 Year	10.00

Speech to the Silent

There have been so many requests for the film "Kappa Alpha Theta Brings Speech to the Silent," which was prepared by Mary Julia Phares for the Quebec convention, that two new prints have been made. Some scenes have been retaken, the script has been "tightened," and the sound narrative has been attached.

"While it is far from an artistic triumph," says Mary Julia, modestly, "I feel it tells the story better and has more personal appeal than anything we have yet had to offer." Personal appeal? There were tears shed at convention as the viewers saw, perhaps for the first time, the tremendous need of those handicapped youngsters at the Institute.

If your group would like to use the film, address your request to: Institute of Logopedics, 2400 Jardine Drive, Wichita 14, Kansas. It can be shown on any good 16 mm. sound projector.

Make a date with your district for convention this summer. Most of them are to be held in June—and you'll have a wonderful time!

The District Conventions

Who	When	Where
District I	April 29-May 1	Kellogg Center, East Lansing, Michigan
District II	June 20-23	Tau Chapter House, Evanston, Illinois
District III	March 11-13	Cherry Hill Inn, Haddonfield, New Jersey
District IV with XII	June 19-21	Colorado Women's College, Denver, Colorado
District V	April 15-17	Lambda Chapter House, Burlington, Vermont
District VI	June 17-19	Alpha Omega Chapter House, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
District VII with IX	June 20-22	Wilton Hotel, Long Beach, California
District VIII with XIII	June 13-15	Rho Chapter House, Lincoln, Nebraska
District IX with VII	June 20-22	Wilton Hotel, Long Beach, California
District X	June 17-19	Granville Inn, Granville, Ohio
District XI	June 12-14	Key Biscayne Hotel, Miami, Florida
District XII with IV	June 19-21	Colorado Women's College, Denver, Colorado
District XIII with VIII	June 13-15	Rho Chapter House, Lincoln, Nebraska
District XIV with XV	June 12-15	Glacier Park Hotel, Glacier Park, Montana
District XV with XIV	June 12-15	Glacier Park Hotel, Glacier Park, Montana
District XVI	Feb. 26-27	John Marshall Hotel, Richmond, Virginia

Theta Regret

The death of Grace Caldwell Chamberlain occurred at her home in Ithaca on October 22, 1954, terminating a life of selfless service to her home, community, and Iota chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta. Living in a quiet manner for many years in the shadow of the Library Tower, she had acquired a vast knowledge of Cornell and Cornellians. The daughter of one of Cornell's pioneer professors, and the wife of a member of the staff of the College of Architecture, she had an intimate knowledge of the University's growth and development.

For Iota Chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta, Mrs. Chamberlain's life was a connecting link between several of our founders and our newest initiates. Her deep interest, tireless effort and constructive counsel have helped to solve many problems of our chapter house. Her sympathetic understanding was limitless.

Friends and Thetas will long feel the loss of the dependable, cultured guidance which has been theirs in full measure. For the gift of her loyalty and devotion we will always have a profound and affectionate gratitude.

It is with deep regret that the St. Louis Alumnæ announce the loss of two outstanding fifty-year Thetas during the past year. They were sisters, prominent women in Theta and civil affairs. Dr. Irene Blanchard was initiated into Delta in 1890, acting as Dean of Women at Northwestern University for a while. She was a graduate of Johns Hopkins Medical School and one of the first women to be on the staff at Mayos. In Webster Groves, Missouri, she became health commissioner—again one of the first women to hold that position. Active in business and civic affairs, she was a past president of the St. Louis County Business and Professional Women.

Dr. Blanchard's sister, Mrs. Jeanette Blanchard Steuber, was initiated into Eta chapter in 1897. She was later instrumental in obtaining a charter for the Alpha Iota chapter at Washington University. She has two Theta daughters, and was active in the League of Women Voters and D.A.R. Like her sister, she had been an active Theta for more than fifty years.

• Iota Chapter

Board of Directors

• Emily Moore

St. Louis Alumnæ Chapter

Now they are seven . . .

District Sixteen

Alumnæ President



Eda Brewer of Washington, D.C., the new Alumnæ President of District Sixteen.

The sixth Alumnæ District President to be appointed for Kappa Alpha Theta under the new plan of having two district presidents, one for active chapters and one for alumnæ chapters and clubs, is Eda Boos Brewer of Washington, D.C. for District Sixteen. A native of Indianapolis, she is a graduate of Butler University. Eda is particularly well suited for this position as she has always been active in Theta and is conversant with the duties of the various offices of the alumnæ chapters.

Eda was president of the Washington, D.C. chapter from 1951-53, preceded by the vice presidency and program chairmanship. She was a delegate to the National Convention at Sun Valley and chairman of the election committee at Quebec. She is at present our magazine Chairman which attained second place nationally last year under her direction. Serving on the Advisory Board for the Theta Chapter at Maryland University, she is active with this group in several capacities that require a great deal of her time. Her executive ability and the deep

respect which her tact and judgement have won for her among Thetas who have had the privilege of being associated with her, make her uniquely qualified for the position of responsibility to which she has been appointed.

Aside from her energetic activities in Kappa Alpha Theta, she is a member of the Board of the Community Chest of Montgomery County, a member of the Women's Board of George Washington University Hospital. In addition to the time spent on these projects Eda attends to the business of her own successful real estate company of which she is Vice President.

Not least among evidences of her character is the marked success which she has revealed as a devoted wife and mother. She has a Theta Daughter, Betty Brewer Reed, Purdue—1950, and a Theta daughter-in-law, Carol Banta Brewer, Missouri—1944.

• Rebecca Noland Ryan

Washington, D. C. Alumnæ Chapter

District Ten

Alumnæ President

The appointment of Morton Brown Gusweiler as District Ten's first Alumnæ President is indeed fine news to those of us who know her. She comes to this position well qualified and filled with enthusiasm. A love of people and a grand sense of humor make her a favorite in any group. She plays a good game of bridge, and through the years, has taken leading roles in amateur theatrical productions of various organizations.

She received her B.S. degree from the University of Cincinnati in 1932, where she was a member of Alpha Tau chapter, of Mortar Board, and of Cincinnatus (senior honorary for men and women). She is married to Frank M. Gusweiler, Judge of the Cincinnati Munic-

ipal Court, who is a graduate of Yale and of U. C. Law school and a member of Phi Delta Theta and Pi Alpha Delta. They have two attractive daughters: Morton, who is a Kappa Kappa Gamma pledge at U. C., and Ann, who is a junior at Walnut Hills High School.

The list of Morton's accomplishments is impressive. She is a past president of the Cincinnati Alumnae chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta, a former chairman of Alpha Tau Corporation, has served on Alpha Tau's advisory board, and is at present a member of the Board of the Cincinnati Alumnae Chapter.

She has been a member of the Girl Scout board, a deputy Girl Scout commissioner, and was narrator with the Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra at the national Girl Scout convention. She was president of the Cincinnati League of Women Voters (1948-1950), and later second vice president of the Ohio League of Woman Voters, from which position she resigned to become an alternate delegate to the Republican national convention in 1952. At present she is first vice president of the Hamilton County Women's Republican Club.

Current activities include: advisory board, Cincinnati League of Woman Voters; advisory board, Cincinnati Council on World Affairs; member of committee for Annual World Affairs Institute since the first one in 1946, and chairman of the Women's Committee and director for the past three years. The Institute is for high school seniors from Ohio, Indiana, Kentucky, and West Virginia, and 645 attended the last meeting. It is sponsored by the Cincinnati Council on World Affairs, Cincinnati



Morton Gusweiler of Cincinnati, the new Alumnae President of District Ten.

Rotary Club, and Crosley Broadcasting Corporation to promote better understanding of world problems. She is also first vice president of the Mortar Board alumnae, a board member of the Volunteer Bureau, and belongs to the Cincinnati College Club, Cincinnati Woman's Club, Cincinnati MacDowell Society, and the local Theta Alumnae chapter.

No matter how great the extent of Morton's activities, she manages to do them all so well, and still be fun to be with, whether the occasion is one of work or play.

Members of Alpha Tau have always been proud of her, and sincerely believe that the Alumnae of District Ten will enjoy knowing her.

• **Dorothy Chambers Dexter**
Cincinnati Alumnae Chapter

Will you be there?

The Biennial Convention of the American Association of University Women will be held in Los Angeles, California, June 27 to July 1, with headquarters at the Hotel Statler.

The Los Angeles Alumnae chapter extends a cordial invitation to all Thetas in attendance who wish to get in touch with their Theta friends to telephone or write the State Chairman, Southern California.

Mrs. Harry L. Coderre
2031 Selby
Los Angeles 25, Calif.
Tel.: ARizona 3-7382.

These Rush Chairmen Are Counting on Your Help

Addresses given are summer addresses of rush chairmen except for starred chapter names. Corresponding secretary's name and address are given for starred chapters; she will forward mail marked "For Rush Chairman." For winter addresses, use the magazine directory, sending correspondence to the secretary marked "For Rush Chairman." Dates as shown are those of formal rush for each chapter.

Alumnæ are urged, whenever possible, to include in the recommendation the girl's full name and address, her father's name, her class in school (freshman, etc.) and her scholastic rank.

- Alpha**, DePauw—Sylvia Cannon, Apt. 9-B, 999 Lake Shore Drive, Chicago, Ill. (Sept.)
Beta, Indiana—Sue Miller, 1203 Delphi, Marion, Ind. (Feb. 3-9)
Gamma, Butler—Mary Carolyn Swartz, 5531 N. Delaware, Indianapolis, Ind. (Sept. 6-10)
***Delta**, Illinois—Janice Donagher, 1134 Isabella, Wilmette, Ill.
Eta, Michigan—Anne Nickerson, 161 N. Elmwood, Oak Park, Ill. (Sept. 17-Oct. 1)
***Iota**, Cornell—Anne Morrissey, 201 Belle Ave., Highland Park, Ill.
Kappa, Kansas—Judy Fincke, 2208 W. 49 Terrace, Kansas City, Mo.
Lambda, Vermont—Joan Holmgren, 5 Kenwood Road, Tenaflly, N.J.
Gamma deuteron, Ohio Wesleyan—Barbara Pritchard, 25449 Cedar Road, Cleveland 24, Ohio. (approx. 3rd wk. in Sept.)
Mu, Allegheny—Alice Bowden, 78 Bay Ave., Huntington, N.Y. Sept. (20-24)
Omicron, So. California—Mary Waldsmith, 200 N. Elm Dr., Beverly Hills, Calif. (Sept. 7-17)
Pi, Albion—Jill Rogers, 1112 Mound, Jackson, Mich.
Rho, Nebraska—Mary Kay Beachler, 1907 W. Division, Grand Island, Nebr. (Sept. 6-10)
Tau, Northwestern—Lynn Catterton, 6031 Garver Rd., Indianapolis, Ind. (Sept. 15-25)
Upsilon, Minnesota—Judy Vilaume, 1037 Portland Ave., St. Paul, Minn. (approx. Oct. 1)
***Chi**, Syracuse—Sally Wilks, 105 Pelham Rd., DeWitt, N.Y.
Psi, Wisconsin—Elizabeth Allen, 1031 E. Donges Rd., Milwaukee, Wisc. (Sept.)
Omega, California—Judy Johnson, 61 Charles Hill Rd., Orinda, Calif. (Sept. 4-17)
Alpha Gamma, Ohio State—Jane Cannon, 1885 Tewksberry Rd., Columbus, Ohio.
Alpha Eta, Vanderbilt—Peggy Casparis, Maple City, Mich.
Alpha Theta, Texas—Elizabeth Szilagyi, 325 Canterbury Hill, San Antonio, Texas (Sept. 10-14)
Alpha Iota, Washington (St. Louis)—Mrs. Lynn Gast Weissenburger, 7002 Pershing, Apt. M., University City, Mo. (Sept. 17-Oct. 2)
Alpha Lambda, Washington—Anne Dunton, 1066 S. Wall, Spokane, Wash.
Alpha Mu, Missouri—Shari Walkley, 1605 W. 76th St., Kansas City, Mo. (Sept. 4-9)
Alpha Nu, Montana—Janet Harper, 1020 Gerald, Missoula, Mont. (Sept. 20-25)
Alpha Xi, Oregon—Vivienne Brown, 277 W. Washington, Salem, Ore. (Sept. 15-21)
Alpha Omicron, Oklahoma—Katherine Cowen, 802 N. Broadway, Shawnee, Okla. (Aug. 28-Sept. 3)
Alpha Pi, North Dakota—Carol Anderson, 1315 Walnut, Grand Forks, N.D. (Sept. 19)
Alpha Rho, South Dakota—Nancy Hoy, 614 Main E., Vermillion, S.D. (Sept. 12-16)
***Alpha Sigma**, Washington State—Kathryn Downey, 723 S. McClellan, Spokane, Wash.
Alpha Tau, Cincinnati—Ann Wells, 569 Evanswood Pl., Cincinnati 20, Ohio. (Sept. 12-25)
***Alpha Upsilon**, Washburn—Lois Jean Stratton, 1911 Edgewater Terrace, Topeka, Kans.
Alpha Phi, Newcomb—Ann Critz, 1649 State St., New Orleans, La.
Alpha Chi, Purdue—Connie Butterfield, 1033 S. Drive, Mt. Pleasant, Mich. (Jan. or Feb.)
***Alpha Psi**, Lawrence—Barbara Bruce, 1301 S. Clay St., Green Bay, Wis.
***Alpha Omega**, Pittsburgh—Dolores Consolo, 2332 Laketon Rd., Pittsburgh 21, Pa. (Feb. 24-26)
Beta Beta, Randolph-Macon—Karen Walgren, 901 San Lucia Dr., East Grand Rapids, Mich. (Sept. 20-Oct. 1)

- Beta Gamma**, Colorado A & M—Bonnie Furney, 717 Kimbark, Longmont, Colo. (Sept. 18-25)
Beta Delta, Arizona—Michelle Mason, 147 E. 67th Way, Long Beach 5, Calif. (Sept. 6-16)
Beta Epsilon, Oregon State—Jane Gill, 421 S. 5th Corvallis, Ore. (Sept. 27-Oct. 6)
Beta Zeta, Oklahoma A & M—Sandra Chiles, Rt. 1, El Reno, Okla. (Sept. 5-10)
***Beta Eta**, Pennsylvania—Nancy Ewen, 6611 N. 6th St., Philadelphia 26, Pa. (approx. last wk. in Oct.)
Beta Theta, Idaho—Wilma Schmidt, 904-13th Ave., Lewiston, Idaho (Sept. 12-18)
Beta Iota, Colorado—Jane Holmes, 1500 Cherryville Rd., Littleton, Colo. (Sept. 11-18)
***Beta Kappa**, Drake—Barbara Slezak, Orient, Iowa.
***Beta Lambda**, William and Mary—Patricia Crews, 28 Kerwin Place, Tarrytown, N.Y.
Beta Mu, Nevada—Yvonne Larty, 930 Plumas St., Reno, Nev. (approx. Sept. 18)
Beta Nu, Florida State—Inia Jean Pruitt, 543 S. W. 29th St., Miami, Fla.
Beta Xi, California, L.A.—Patricia McMartin, 736 Hilgard Ave., Los Angeles 24, Calif. (Sept. 8-16)
Beta Omicron, Iowa—Barbara Spacek, 1957 Mt. Vernon Ave., S. E., Cedar Rapids, Ia. (Sept. 10-15)
Beta Pi, Michigan State—JoAnne Lassen, 550 Country Club Drive, East Lansing, Mich. (Jan. 8-23)
***Beta Rho**, Duke—Anne Salley, 908 Johnson St., High Point, N.C. (Oct. 3-21)
Beta Sigma, Southern Methodist—Rosemary Whittle, 4804 S. Lindhurst, Dallas, Tex. (Sept.)
***Beta Tau**, Denison—Natalie Carr, 61 Park Wood Blvd., Mansfield, Ohio.
Beta Upsilon, British Columbia—Pamela Rose, 4376 Alexandra, Vancouver, B.C.
Beta Phi, Penn State—Alice Fay Thornton, 528 Keystone Dr., New Kensington, Pa. (approx. Sept. 17-Oct. 1)
***Beta Chi**, Alberta—Jean Fryer, 10958-85th Ave., Edmonton, Alberta, Can.
Beta Psi, McGill—Jane Townsend, 644 Belmont Ave., Westmount, Quebec. (Oct. 15-25)

Information on Prospective Member

Date.....

Name

Home Address

College Address

Entering as Freshman..... Sophomore..... Junior..... Senior.....

Preparatory School

Talents, interests, scholarship, or other qualifications for fraternity membership:

- Beta Omega**, Colorado College—Billie Andrews, 20 Van Buren, Colorado Springs, Colo. (Sept. 16-22)
- ***Gamma Gamma**, Rollins—Mary Ann Morton, 1204 Jen Court, Jacksonville, Fla.
- Gamma Delta**, Georgia—Mary Parker Vogel, 9 Halifax Square, Brunswick, Ga.
- Gamma Epsilon**, Western Ontario—Marilyn Spencer, Frankford, Ontario, Canada. (Feb.)
- Gamma Zeta**, Connecticut—Nancy Tarr, 19 Lakeview Ave., Hamden, Conn.
- Gamma Eta**, Massachusetts—Joan Rawlins, 106 Thompson St., New Bedford, Mass.
- Gamma Theta**, Carnegie Tech—Barbara Faddy, 1419 Fawcett, McKeesport, Pa.
- Gamma Iota**, Kentucky—Margaret Ford, 443 Clifton, Lexington, Ky. (Feb. 12-19)
- Gamma Kappa**, George Washington—Priscilla Palmer, 620-21st St., N.W., Washington 6, D.C. (Sept. 20-30)
- Gamma Lambda**, Beloit—Shirlee Mutimer, 1713 N. Court St., Rockford, Ill.
- ***Gamma Mu**, Maryland—Elizabeth Rector, K A Θ, Fraternity Row, House #8, College Park, Md.
- Gamma Nu**, North Dakota State—Mary Helen Peterson, 1618-5th St. N., Fargo, N.D.
- ***Gamma Xi**, San Jose State—Joanne Vick, 2540 Bryant St., Palo Alto, Calif. (Jan. 10-24)
- Gamma Omicron**, New Mexico—Ann Ellen Lee, 524 Hermosa Dr., N.E., Albuquerque, N.M. (Sept. 9-15)
- Gamma Pi**, Iowa State—Mary Alice MacLafferty, 606 Oakland Ave., Council Bluffs, Ia. (Sept. 10-17)
- Gamma Rho**, Santa Barbara—Terry Tisdale, 345 E. Tuckey Lane, Phoenix, Ariz. (Sept. 5-14)
- Gamma Sigma**, San Diego—Lee Lowrey, Rolling Hills Rancho, Rt. 7, Alpine, Calif. (approx. Sept. 13-20)
- Gamma Tau**, Tulsa—Rose Ellen Lowerison, 1333 S. Norfolk, Tulsa, Okla. (approx. Sept. 18)
- Gamma Upsilon**, Miami—Maureen Bryan, 924 W. Sherwood, Ft. Wayne, Ind. (Sept. 23-Oct. 14)
- Gamma Phi**, Texas Tech—Ann Bondurant, 2123-28th, Lubbock, Tex. (Sept. 5)
- Gamma Chi**, Fresno State—Patt Louderback, 381 Adams, Apt. A, Oakland, Calif. (Sept. 24-28, Feb. 11-15)
- Gamma Psi**, Texas Christian—Mrs. P. H. Hollifield, 2101 Warner Rd., Fort Worth, Tex. (Sept. 25-Oct. 1)

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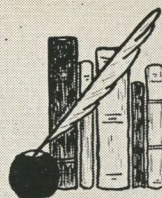
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Books by Theta Authors

● reviewed by betty briggs



An Eighteenth-Century Garland by Louise Bang Fisher. Colonial Williamsburg, Inc., Williamsburg, Virginia, 1951.

One visit to Colonial Williamsburg whets the appetite for another. I first saw the lovely town when gardens and woods were sweet with the delicate blossoms of spring. My second visit was late in June when the lily and the rose with a host of other flowers made "high pomp of summer." Again I returned when gardens, trees and field in their gold and red brilliance, reflected the autumn harvest.

These beauties of the out-of-doors were mirrored in charming "printy" flower arrangements in the handsome rooms of the buildings of the restoration giving them a lived-in look. Little did I dream as I lingered to admire the bouquets in the Governor's Palace and the Wythe House, that they were the work of a Theta, Louise Bang Fisher, a charter member of Alpha Eta Chapter.

In her delightful book, *An Eighteenth-Century Garland*, Mrs. Fisher tells what her hobby, an interest in flowers, led to.

In 1930 Mrs. Fisher moved to Williamsburg where her husband, John Roberts Fisher, was made head of the Department of Languages of the College of William and Mary. Her new neighbors were astonished to see one truck of furniture and two trucks of flowers arrive from her former home in Ashland.

Because of her flair for gardening and flower arrangement, Mrs. Fisher was asked to take over the responsibility for fruit and flower arrangements in the Raleigh Tavern shortly after she accepted the position of hostess there in 1932.

When visitors asked her why she used flowers and fruits in the decorations such as dahlias and grapefruit which were unknown in the eighteenth-century she realized that arrangements in the restored buildings at Williamsburg should contain only those wild and cultivated flowers and fruits known to horticulturists of

the period.

Here began the study of eighteenth-century plants, gardens and floral arrangements that made Louise Bang Fisher an authority in these fields. For descriptions of the eighteenth-century plants, Mrs. Fisher consulted the letters and diaries of the owners of the great Virginia estates and plantations, William Byrd II of Westover, John Custis, whose daughter-in-law married George Washington, and Thomas Jefferson, "great amateur horticulturist," who planned the garden at Monticello and whose *Garden Book* begun in 1766 is still of interest. Mrs. Fisher studied the writing and drawings of botanists of Europe who explored the American colonies for new plants and of horticulturists of the new world who imported foreign plants.

"I like to remember these early 'brothers of the spade.' I like to know that in Williamsburg we keep their memory as we keep their gardens, ever green," Mrs. Fisher muses.

Her need for authentic plant material led to the planting of a "cutting garden" where over two hundred kinds of annuals, perennials, bulbs and shrubs were made available for the decoration of the buildings of the restoration. Native flowers and greens were gathered from a large tract of woods belonging to Colonial Williamsburg.

Mrs. Fisher also turned her attention to the acquiring of a fine collection of eighteenth century containers which are used for the arrangements.

For details of eighteenth-century arrangements she studied large flower prints and paintings. A catalogue entitled *Twelve Months of Flowers* issued in 1730 by Robert Furber, a Kensington Nurseryman, proved of great value. The accurately labeled prints in the book served as patterns for her work.

An Eighteenth-Century Garland is made more colorful and useful by photographs, the work of the staff photographer of Colonial

Williamsburg.

Mrs. Fisher shares with the reader, not only her love for the "period" flowers and pleasure in working with them, but gives in detail the technique she uses in cutting, preserving and arranging fresh flowers, foilage and dried materials as well. Her book makes an excellent choice for a book review for a garden club or flower arrangement group. The author gives no hard and fast rules for her "tussie mussies," masses of flowers that are so appropriate with antique furniture. She simply tells what she does and why as if she were sharing her knowledge and enthusiasm with a neighbor.

An Eighteenth-Century Garland is a book a lover of Williamsburg will want to own and consult from time to time. With its rich illustrations, its lovely blue-green cover and gray-green lining decorated with delicate tracteries of "wildings," it is a beautiful book to see as well as a stimulating one to read.

This review would not be complete unless it suggested the feeling the author conveys for the era of good living her book reflects. "The story of gardening is but a branch of the tree of history. There is nothing, I think," Mrs. Fisher writes, "that brings us into such close intimacy with the past as flowers, nothing that bridges the years in quite the same way."

Since reading *An Eighteenth-Century Garland*, I dream of returning to Williamsburg some Christmas season to gaze in wonder at the old capital laden with garlands of evergreen, candles alight in each window. I long to see the well polished dining room table in the Palace agleam with its wreaths of leaves, pomegranates and green grapes, arranged by the deft and knowing fingers of Louise Bang Fisher.

Panhellenic Kinescopes

Since there have been so many inquiries in the past year about the previous television shows produced under sponsorship of Seattle City Panhellenic on public service time, it was decided to make a kinescope of this program. The film with sound track is offered for a fee of \$5.00 plus mailing charges to any group who might seek planning assistance. Information about the reel may be secured by writing Angeline M. West (Mrs. J. H.), Television Chairman, 4801 38th N. E., Seattle 5, Washington.

silhouette

Susie Ames



Susie Ames, professor of history at Randolph-Macon and one of the advisors to Beta Beta chapter, is the editor of a volume published in June by the American Historical Society. Her publication is volume seven of the American Legal Records Series and is entitled "County Court Records of Accomack-Northampton, Virginia, 1632-1640."

A prefatory note for the volume has been written by Professor Francis S. Philbrick of the University of Pennsylvania Law School. Miss Ames, in her introduction, gives the political, social, and economic background for the records, the major features of the court system, and the significance of such developments. According to Miss Ames, the records themselves are the oldest county records in Virginia and are the beginning of the oldest continuous county court records in America.

Miss Ames was a Theta at Randolph-Macon, and went on to do graduate work at Columbia University, where she received her A.M. and Ph.D. She is author of much published material on the Colonial Period, including a book entitled "Studies of the Virginia Eastern Shore in the Seventeenth Century." This is especially interesting to us, since we have several girls from the Eastern Shore now in the chapter.

Miss Ames is a member of three honorary organizations: Phi Beta Kappa, Pi Gamma Mu (social science), and Delta Kappa Gamma, honorary society for women teachers. She has always been a helpful and loyal friend to Beta Beta and we are very proud of her.

• Judy Hill

Beta Beta Chapter

Teller of Tales

• Alice Jean Lease Lewis

Tau Chapter



Ruth Gonser Lease

When summer comes to Montana and the wheat fields are ready for harvest, a soft wind blows over the miles of golden grain at sundown. You can almost see it begin bending the wheat toward the horizon, as far as one can see, and farther, and one is filled with a sense of reverence, and meaning, and vision.

On a ranch such as this, a little girl grew up much like her father's wheat. Her ideas and ambitions have grown and spread much further than one can see, but to many she has given, and does give unceasingly, her wonderful belief in the creative spirit.

Ruth Gonser Lease (Alpha Nu '27) began story telling and creative drama with children

many years ago in Montana. At the outbreak of the war in 1941, when she and her family moved to Seattle, Ruth went into housing areas where over 12,000 youngsters, strange to each other, were made to feel a part of their community by giving their stories and giving of themselves. It helped build a sense of living into the housing projects. Such dramatic results came from this, that her technique of creative drama became established in Seattle by such groups as the Junior League, the University of Washington, the Seattle Art Museum, Public Libraries and the Seattle Park Board.

From there, Ruth Lease was sent with her program to UNESCO, where it was recommended for the rehabilitation of Europe's war-sick children. She has given workshops in Europe and now is national consultant on creative dramatics for the Associated Junior Leagues of America.

Ruth is co-author with Geraldine Brain Siks of the book, *Creative Dramatics in Home, School and Community*, published by Harper Brothers. Herein her principles have been described.

The reality of Creative Dramatics is based on imagination. It is the sharing of thoughts and stories—it is the being of what one wishes—it is as magic as it is real—and as a technique, it is an art.

Much more could be said of Ruth Lease outside of make-believe: her effervescence, crack golf game, wonderful husband and her two daughters. She is, coincidentally, the "double sister-in-law" of Alice Lease Gonser, Grand Third Vice President, as a brother and sister of each family succumbed to the charms of the other. It has been a pleasure being so close to her all these years. Much of her time and effort have been given for me. And although I can speak with authority, I also may be prejudiced, for I must admit—she is my mother.

The fall issue of Kappa Alpha Theta will carry the stories of the Pi chapter and Gamma Psi chapter installations at Albion College and Texas Christian University.

*"And what is it to cease breathing, but to free the breath
from its restless tides, that it may rise and expand and
seek God unencumbered?"*

Kahlil Gibran

Caroline Hastings Fletcher (Mrs. C. J.)
Kappa Chapter, 1883
Los Angeles, California, February, 1955

Genevieve Chambers Case (Mrs. Frank E.)
Phi Chapter, 1899
Seattle, Washington.

Jeanette Blanchard Steuber (Mrs. Frederick J.)
Eta Chapter, 1896
St. Louis, Missouri

Dr. Irene Blanchard
Delta¹, Aff. Eta Chapter
St. Louis, Missouri

Rhoda Ballenger Cunningham (Mrs. Charles)
Beta Chapter, 1890
Indianapolis, Indiana, February, 1955

Dorothy Mae Thompson Lippert (Mrs. Ernest L.)
Alpha Omicron Chapter, 1922
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, September 7, 1954

Bernice Orndorff
Beta Chapter, 1904
Indianapolis, Indiana, winter 1954-55

Twine for the Kite

Ruth Burton Kerr (Beta Gamma) is serving as magazine chairman for the Kansas City Alumnae chapter, although she is a victim of polio and has been flat on her back for seven years.

Mildred Morehead, M.D. (Beta Rho) returned recently from five years in Brazil as a government epidemiologist, and is now Associate Medical Director of the Health Insurance Plan of Greater New York.

Barbara Vestal McClintock (Mrs. Winfield A.) of Omega, is living in Germany where her husband teaches arts and crafts. Barbara served as music supervisor with the army in Japan from 1947 to 1950, after which she taught high school music in La Jolla, Calif.

Margaret Rhodehamel Hale of Beta Tau is serving as the first woman president of Denison's Alumni Association, after many years of participation in the college affairs.

Patricia Allen Ryan of Omega lists her address as: United States Operations Mission, c/o American Embassy, Beirut, Lebanon. She is engaged to be married in June to Dr. Bruce Calder Paton of Inverness, Scotland.

Barbara Ann Butsch of Alpha Tau has ac-

cepted a position as a staff assistant with Procter and Gamble in Cincinnati, in which position she is responsible for the effectiveness of advertising and promotion of one of the detergents.

Virginia Fiske Boorum (Mrs. Warren) of Tau and her husband had to receive the express prior consent of two broadcasting companies before their "merger," since she worked for NBC and he worked for CBS. They got it.

Joan Burkland of Gamma Chi received a recent assignment to Stuttgart, Germany, where she will be stationed for two years with the Foreign Service. Her address is c/o American Consulate General, APO 154, U. S. Army.

Catherine F. Hall (Mrs. James R.) of Alpha Lambda wrote from Gustavus, Alaska, asking for possible names of other Thetas who might be in that area. There happened to be three others in the Juneau area, which might perchance be the makings of an Alaskan Theta club.

Martha Ditrach of Alpha Chi has been selected as one of 14 adult members of the Girl Scouts in the United States to take part in the international exchange of persons pro-

gram this summer. She will be one of two stationed in Germany, leaving for Europe June 24 and returning August 30.

Ruth Ann Firing (Gamma deuteron) was featured on the cover and inside pages of the February *Christian Advocate*, as an attractive example of student nursing. The layout, stressing the need for 50,000 nurses in American hospitals, took Ruth Ann through a typical day of her training. She is now serving on the teaching staff of the School of Nursing, in connection with the Medical College of Virginia.

Agnes Ostrom (Beta) writes a regular column for the *Indianapolis Times* entitled "So I'm Told," which deals with the daily social scene, but also carries interesting personality sketches when the occasion presents itself.

Julia Waldo Macgregor (Mrs. Donald) of Upsilon, whose eldest son in February was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross for service in Korea, has kept up with her music. She gave a piano concert in Lake Wales, Florida, recently, and also appeared on the Matinee Musicale in Duluth, Minnesota.

Mary Elizabeth Burnell Hurley (Alpha Chi) will be with her husband, Lt. Colonel E. P. Hurley, in French Morocco for the next two years or more. Her address is 6096A, Hdqts. 17th Air Force, APO 118, Box 7, New York, New York.

A Mother of the Year

Almena Dean Crane (Iota) was recently named the New Jersey Mother of the Year. Almena is a farm leader and an active worker in community affairs. A graduate of Cornell, where her son is now a sophomore, she has managed a 200-acre commercial poultry farm since her husband's death in 1942 and is president of the township Board of Education, in addition to being the first woman to serve on the state committee of the Farmers Home Administration. She also represents the northeastern region on a six-member national women's committee of the American Farm Bureau Federation. She is a vice chairman of the Hunterdon County Library Commission, served as vice chairman of the recent Hunterdon County Medical Center fund drive, and has served as president of her local PTA, as well as being an officer in the County PTA Council.

Almena's name was sponsored for the honorary title of "Mother of the Year" by the women of the New Jersey Farm Bureau of which she is a past president. Later this year, she will compete with representatives from all other states, the District of Columbia, Alaska, Hawaii and Puerto Rico for the title of National Mother of 1955.

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over the desktop



Thoughts on fraternity . . .

That which is socially and psychologically sound about the fraternity system seems to have escaped, like a bit of elusive mercury, from the mental grasp of those who take a stand against it. The turbulent waters of criticism rise periodically like a tidal wave, seeming powerful enough to wash away everything before it. Yet, as the waters recede and the sun again bathes the social scene, life continues just as it was . . . scarcely scarred by the storm.

The basic need of mankind to collect in small groups is not only necessary for his own well being . . . but also forms the best working unit known to our social system. Every scout leader, teacher or business manager accepts that knowledge as a matter of routine. It is even obvious in the foundation of a hundred thousand committees who, chosen from large groups, must function in small units for the purpose of coordination and efficiency. And woe be unto the practicability of that small unit, if a certain degree of selectivity and discrimination is not used in choosing its members! It is thus that our social system is laid out . . . be it within government, business, community or university.

Although the individual, as such, might be considered as different from the multitude, the social need for him is the same as that of society as a whole. Standing in the center of a great seething city can sometimes bring a breathless terror if, suddenly, the sense of being utterly alone happens to sweep across the consciousness. There can be no doubt of the primitive need for companionship once this feeling of panic has been experienced. The answer to it comes, not from the whole of society, but from the small group in which the individual finds his place. Not any group will do, with or without a Greek name, for he can not find satisfaction or expression within its limits unless there are standards that echo his standards, ideals that match his ideals, and goals that are similar to those he has set for himself. He will accept higher ones; he will seldom deign to accept lower ones.

There must be faith, trust and friendship within this fraternal group with which the individual associates himself. With these, as a natural consequence, come pride and loyalty. For, as Harry Emerson Fosdick says: "No man is the whole of himself; those to whom he has given his faith is the rest of him."

Society without its nuclei would be as powerless as the atom without its nucleus. It is just as much a part of nature for one as for the other . . . and the lack of either is inconceivable.

The Editor

A word to alumnae editors . . .

Points have been set up for the alumnae chapters, similar to those for active chapters, in direct relationship to their contributions to the magazine. Eloise Maffett, the alumnae editor, will keep the files and records on the material for which there will be an award made at the Banff Convention, 1956. Here are the points:

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| 1. Chapter letters in on time and in acceptable form | 2 points |
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| 5. A picture used for a cover of the magazine. | 4 |

College Notebook



Lansing State Journal

The university campus consists of a variety of activities, scholastic and otherwise. In the extra-curricular college world there are many facets and phases in which the "queenships" play a large part. Every festival, fraternity, special week or weekend, in addition to the university annual and the various proms, provides recognition of beauty. For, to quote: "If eyes are made for seeing, then beauty is its own excuse for being."

One of the larger queenships awarded during the college year is that of "Miss Big Ten," who is chosen from candidates representing the midwestern area: Northwestern, Minnesota, Michigan, Wisconsin, Michigan State, Purdue, Indiana, Illinois, Iowa and Ohio State.

This year's Big Ten Queen is an Alpha Gamma Delta, Carol Goulet of the University of Minnesota (center). Runner-up is a Theta, Barbara Koch (left) of Ohio State University, Alpha Gamma chapter. Jane Luzadder of Indiana, Beta chapter, was also an entrant in the contest. Presenting Carol with the trophy is Theta Jan Somers (right) of Michigan State (Beta Pi chapter), last year's Miss Big Ten and fourth finalist in the Miss America contest. Jan, in turn, had received her award last year from another Theta, Dee Means (Beta Pi) who served as 1953 Miss Big Ten.

♪ Notes from the News ♪

Nancy Pounds of **Alpha Omega**, Pittsburgh, has been studying abroad at the Bierut College for Women in Lebanon, in preparation for a career as Director of Religious Education.

The Colorado chapters, **Beta Omega**, **Beta Iota** and **Beta Gamma**, are planning their April retreat together this year.

For the purpose of creating better understanding among sororities on campus, **Gamma Theta** of Carnegie Tech held a Greek openhouse in the fall. A Parthenon made of sugar cubes, used as a centerpiece, was the hit of the afternoon.

Iota of Cornell gives a bazaar each year to raise funds for their Korean orphan, presenting hand-made articles to eager Christmas shoppers.

During a recent weekend "walkout," the **Alpha** sophomores at DePauw composed three new Theta songs instead of playing habitual bridge.

Kappa of Kansas gave a Brother and Son banquet for forty boys on campus who are Theta "legacies" of actives or alumnae.

Wearing cherry red smocks, the members of **Gamma Lambda** of Beloit College have become members of the hospital auxiliary as hostesses and play-ladies.

With two sets of twins in the house, **Beta Delta** of Arizona could provide adequate illustration for their prize-winning float—entitled "Make 'em see double!" They did.

Beta Xi of UCLA had an opportunity to meet with both **Omicron** and **Omega** chapters during the football season, with the resultant singing of old songs and exchanging of new ones.

Carol Baker of **Gamma Upsilon**, Miami, is making a personal project of going through the chapter files, the result of which she promises will be "something tangible."

Beta Pi hit the magazine markets again with pictures of Connie Bintz and Jo Lassen in *Sports Illustrated* with a fashion preview from midwestern colleges.

The Garner triplets (Jean, Joan and June) of **Beta Mu**, Nevada, who were pictured in the *Kappa Alpha Theta*, winter issue, page 8, were chosen as Coeds of the Month by the *American Magazine*, February issue. They also are currently appearing in *Banta's Greek Exchange*.

Alpha Mu of Missouri sent their Christmas exchange gifts to the Institute of Logopedics instead of keeping them this year. Irma Gruner Bedford (Mrs. John) served as Santa Claus to the chapter for the eighteenth consecutive year.

The girls of **Alpha Nu**, Montana, painted their own rooms—and found it didn't take much talent to wield a paintbrush.

Tau of Northwestern entertained sixty foreign students from the Evanston and Chicago campuses at Christmas time, and enjoyed international carols long after the party was scheduled to end.

The finish of a scholarship contest between the pledges and actives of **Beta Zeta**, Oklahoma A & M, resulted in the pledges enjoying a chicken dinner while the actives had to eat beans.

The pledge class of **Gamma Rho**, Santa Barbara, sent a box of stuffed animals to the Institute of Logopedics as one of their pledge projects.

Judy Campbell of **Alpha**, DePauw, has been chosen for the magazine *Mademoiselle* College Board.

Three members of **Alpha Upsilon** of Washburn (Ann Colvin, Carol Powell and Joan Scott) are planning a trip to the Institute "to bring the chapter closer to the work being done."

Dottie Hennis of **Alpha Chi**, Purdue, was selected as one of three girls on campus honored to serve as "Dean for a Day" . . . at which time, the Dean attended classes in her place.

Gamma Epsilon of Western Ontario held its second annual "convention" of active members, with three leaders conducting discussion groups on "What we are looking for in freshettes," "Conversation at the rushing parties" and "What we put into the fraternity."

Ann Reid of **Gamma Kappa** chapter was awarded the Panhellenic Book Scholarship Prize with one of the highest four-year scholastic averages ever held by a senior at George Washington.

ALBERTA**Beta Chi**

The Beta Chi house is the scene of much activity these days as everyone prepares with reluctance for exams, and talks with enthusiasm about the holidays.

October 17 saw six girls become new Thetas as we gathered for another initiation weekend. The new members are: Sandra Baker, Marlene Mosely, Anne Donald (Edmonton), Olive Salamandick (Vegreville), Diane Walker (Lethbridge), Barbara Beaton (Medicine Hat) and Donna Duggan (Edmonton).

Soon after initiation we began to plan for rushing. Our quota this year was 25, quite a difference from last year's ten. Our first party was an open house with a western theme with the actives all dressed in jeans, shirts and cowboy hats. We played western music and served pancakes and sausages and hot coffee from the chuckwagon. The second party was our tri-preference tea, and third, of course, that all important formal dessert. Believe me, there were many worried faces around the house for those two weeks, but when it was all over we had 25 wonderful pledges. They are: Shirley Allin, Barbara Beddome, Elizabeth Byers, Bernice Donais, Mary Lou Duncan, Joanne Eddie, Jeanette Farrell, Myrna Foster, Lorena Hodgson, Sharon Hunt, Iris Kirk, Bernice Libin, Mona McLaughlin, Muriel Nugent, Laverne Pallesen, Anne Paterson, Gael Quittenbaum, Sylvia Schawalter, Jennifer Simmonds, Laura Mae Stillings, Gladys Theilen, Joan Tronsgard, Carol Virtue, Shirley Wagness, and Joan Workun. The girls are a tremendously enthusiastic and energetic bunch and we know they'll be a real addition to Kappa Alpha Theta.

Exchange parties have been a highlight of this fall's activities. They have taken the form of a Halloween party with the Zetes, an Italian party with the D.U.s and a vaudeville party at the Phi Kap house. Recently we went to a housewarming for the Dekes who have just bought a lovely new house.

Before the mid-terms started we had our annual D.U.-Theta party for the underprivileged children of Edmonton. The children come in the afternoon to play games and eat lunch and then Santa mysteriously appeared from the roof with a present for everyone. I don't know who gets more fun out of it, the kids or us.

Beta Chi welcomed a new house mother this fall, Mrs. Shearer, whose daughter is a Beta Chi alumna. We know we'll be as fond of her as we were of our past house mother Mrs. Ellinger, who left us last spring to be married.

The Beta Chis hope every Theta has had a very happy and successful year, and hope each one will be bigger and better for all our college chapters.

Ann Hart

ALLEGHENY**Mu**

Entertaining the Theta fathers for a whole weekend is always a high-spot on the Mu chapter yearly calendar. On November 6 and 7 we invited our dads to come to Allegheny for a weekend to let their beautiful daughters (at least in their eyes!) entertain them. On Saturday afternoon we treated them to a football

game followed by a cider and donut party. Our fathers were more collegiate and enthusiastic at the game than we were! After the party we took them to a wonderful banquet at the Lafayette Hotel, Meadville, where we proudly sang our songs and had the new pledges' fathers introduced to the Theta family. Then we rushed back to our sorority rooms to entertain them with humorous skits by our pledges. We hated to see the madcap evening end, but it ended beautifully with all the fathers outside the dormitory serenading their daughters with lovely, old favorites like "Let Me Call You Sweetheart." Sunday morning we served them a tasty breakfast before chapel, after which they reluctantly left for home.

November was a busy month for Mu chapter. After Father's weekend we began preparing our pledges for initiation. One of their projects was a dinner for the actives which was a clever Mexican repast with chili and all the accessories. The motto of the meal was, "It's the Beans," and our individual favors extended the theme. The traditional Kitten party they gave us a week later was called the Cat and Canary Capers. Being very artistic, they decorated the walls and ceiling of our suite with cats of all sizes and shapes depicting each active member. Amidst gay costumes and lots of laughter, the canaries (pledges) treated the cats (actives) to some delicious bread crumbs.

On Sunday, November 21, we initiated the new Mu chapter Thetas. They are: Anne Booth and Judy Reed of Dunkirk, N.Y.; Meredith Drake, Alfred, N.Y.; Toni Forbes, Butler; Barbara Ford, Rochester, N.Y.; Nancy Grine, Tarentum; Mary Alice Hanson, Cranford, N.J.; Connie Hernik and Margaret Mehwald of Parma Heights, Ohio; Kay Johnston, Bradford; Sylvia Liberati and Betty Morgan of Pittsburgh; Judy Murtha, Niagara Falls, N.Y.; Elaine Rebar, Brecksville, Ohio; Jean Ridgeway, Coraopolis; Carolyn Tuttle, Richmond, Va., and Marjorie Walker (sister of Barbara, Mu, 1952), Glen Ridge, N.J. On February 8 we pledged another sophomore, Shirley Moreton (sister of Beverly, Mu, 1954).

Our Christmas party this year was a gala affair when we feted our suite with gifts that were practical and sorely needed. The big and little sisters exchanged lovely gifts, and Santa Claus (in the form of Mary Jane Curry of Brockway) was there to make it really a very merry Christmas party.

We were thrilled to have one of our prettiest seniors, Katie Keifer of Aliquippa, elected as maid-of-honor for the May Day celebrations. Marilyn Bennett of Middleport, N.Y., successful editor of Allegheny's paper, *The Campus*, was elected junior class queen for these ceremonies.

Now the Mu Thetas are looking forward to the spring months with much anticipation. These months prove to be the busiest ones of the year. We are in the annual Allegheny fund drive in which the Thetas have always won first or second prize for contributing the most money from our project, a rummage sale in Meadville. In March we will be electing new officers, making plans for Mother's weekend in April and preparing for our beautiful spring formal. Interspersed among these major activities will be a party for orphan children, group participation in Religion-in-

Life week, preparation for getting the prize in the May Day Greek sing and a traditional farewell luncheon for the seniors.

As usual, the year will wind up in a dizzy whirl of graduation and May Day campus activities in which the Thetas are always active and outstanding.

Frances Edwards

ARIZONA

Beta Delta

Beta Delta has been quite busy since before Christmas. Our chapter won first place in the beauty division of the floats in the Homecoming parade. Our slogan was, "Make 'em see double," and we used the two sets of twins in the house. Our volleyball team also won the volleyball tournament and the games proved to be very interesting and exciting.

Before Christmas we sent a Christmas package to our little orphan girl in Korea to whom we write each week.

Our Christmas formal was held at the Pioneer Hotel, December 11. The pledges chose the Theta man, Neil Ward, before the dance and Betsy Daeuble, the pledge president, crowned him during the dance.

We recently elected our new officers for the coming year. Pat Kunze turned her office of president over to Kay Wright. The other officers include: Bernys Jamison, vice president and scholarship chairman, a combined office; Donna Peacy, treasurer; Pat Goette, house manager; Michelle Mason, rush chairman; Gwen Best, social chairman; Mary Golberg, recording secretary; Susan Conniff, pledge trainer; Beatrice Jamison, A. W. S. representative; George Ann Jensen, assistant A. W. S. representative; Beth Morris, standards chairman; Barbara Blom, activities chairman; and Jean Palmer, fraternity education.

Collyn Bruner, one of our sophomore members, transferred to the University of Southern California at the end of last semester.

We just ended second semester rush February 5 and four girls pledged Beta Delta. They are Joan Burke and Paula Williams of Tucson, with Barbara Wall, Mesa and Lynn Fowler of San Francisco, Calif.

Our Founders Day dinner was celebrated Monday, February 21 in the Student Union Junior Ballroom. The pledges entertained with an original skit afterwards. We are now preparing our skit for the varsity show. We are presenting it with the Sigma Chi fraternity and as a result we won't be entered for competition.

The pledges are eagerly awaiting their initiation which will be held sometime in March. Those who made their grades and will be initiated are: Susan Daley, Darlene Cole, Carolee Taylor, Dorothy Babbitt, Jane Moyer, Margot Van Gilder, Mary Alice Boyd, Carol Davisson, Diana Weinzapfel, Sandra Chiono, Nancy Gordon, Ann Miller, Linda Thompson, Catharine Liebenguth, Shirley Miller, Rhett Lou Rucker, Gayle Yambert, Barbara Wiersma and Katherine Lutich.

We have many varied and interesting activities to look forward to this spring and before we realize it, it will be summer again.

Jane Moyer



Sue Reynolds of Gamma Lambda chapter has been listed in the *Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities*.

BELOIT

Gamma Lambda

Wearing cherry-red smocks has become the duty of the members of Gamma Lambda this winter. The chapter has joined the new Beloit Hospital Auxiliary, and we are busy serving as hostesses and "play-ladies," and doing other jobs to make things more cheerful for the patients. We also did our part for the community by collaborating with the Tri Deltas to give some of the town children a Christmas party that was a real treat for them.

The chapter has pledged four new girls. We were all thrilled to have Donna Bumba, a sophomore from Mendota, Ill.; Margie Day, Chicago, Ill.; Ellen Saumer, Reno, Nev.; and Cleo Bach of Berlin, Wis. added to our pledge class.

Our big social event so far this year was our informal dance, the "Teddy Bear Hug." Squirt guns, pop guns and cap pistols provided excitement for the be-rompered and pinafores dance goers. One of our prominent faculty members started our evening out right by telling us a bed-time story, and everybody filled up on ice-cream cones and giant lollipops from our lollipop tree.

We have added another trophy to our collection by winning the Winter Carnival skating meet. Our hero of the day was Sally Johnson, who came out high scorer in the girl's events.

Our pledges presented their annual pledge banquet, entitled "Theta's biggest night." The banquet was fashioned after Academy Award night, but the awards presented were paddles for the pledge mothers instead of the traditional "Oscar."

We Gamma Lambdas were delighted to have Mrs.

Ackerman with us the 5th, 6th and 7th of December. It gave us a good chance to go over the plans for our new house and anticipate the day we can see it begun.

Sue Reynolds, our vice-president and pledge trainer, has made us especially proud by becoming one of the members of *Who's Who*. We're also keeping our fingers crossed for Judy Kubly, who has been put up for vice-president of the student body.

Spring is bringing us lots of fun and excitement. We're already planning for a booth for the Campus Chest Carnival, our traditional, school-wide Kappa Alpha Theta Kite Contest, and our final informal of the year.

Nancy Wormley

BRITISH COLUMBIA

Beta Upsilon

No letter.

BUTLER

Gamma

During informal rush last fall, the Gamma Thetas pledged four girls to round out the pledge class to 19. They are Joan Davis, Indianapolis; Marcia Medallion, New Castle; Sheila Robison, Crawfordville and Diana Downs, Lebanon. The Thetas are proud of another pledge, Marge Gillespie, whose grades for her first semester have made her eligible for honor initiation.

Last winter Sara Spradling reigned as Butler's 1954 Homecoming Queen and Mary Carolyn Swartz was elected junior class secretary. Carolyn Hawthorne is represented on the *Drift* beauty court.

Mary Carolyn Swartz was chairman for the Butler Thetas during the annual Christmas Cheer drive for needy families. Thanks to her all-out effort we took first place. The fall semester was climaxed in December with our Christmas dance, complete with pink and red tree and an old-fashioned sleigh.

Nancy Stassus

CALIFORNIA (U of C)

Omega

Omega has a chance to look back on some of the events that made the fall semester such a whirlwind. The first week of November found us welcoming a new house mother, Mrs. Constance Ditzler who has found a very special place among us already.

With a long list of exchanges this semester we made many new friends all over campus. The pledges have had lunch exchanges with the Kappa, Pi Phi, Alpha Phi, and Delta Gamma pledges sponsored by the Ace of Clubs. The house as a whole was entertained by the Kappa Sigmas and the Theta Deltas. At our annual children's Christmas party the Thetas combined with the Phi Deltas and found it a difficult task to handle 25 eight-year-old boys in our living room. Somehow we managed and a wonderful time was had by all, even Santa. Still on the agenda is an exchange with the Phi Taus. December 10, we entertained our dates at our yearly Christmas party which was held this year at Ann Neely's home in Berkeley.

Campus activities have spotlighted many Thetas. Panile, sophomore women's honorary welcomed Judy Johnson, Lynn Campbell and Sally Vaughn while Prytanean, junior-senior honorary issued an invitation to Peggy Willard. Lou Curtice is serving on Women's Judiciary and Barbara Clymer was chairman of All University weekend. While the University at Berkeley as a whole that weekend played host to seven other campuses, Omega was hostess to forty Thetas from UCLA and Santa Barbara. Following the game between UCLA and Cal we all entertained family and dates at a buffet dinner.

Again an Omega Theta played a part in the Sigma Chi Sweetheart contest. Much to our pleasure Adele Oker was selected as one of the two attendants. Also bringing more honors to us was Katie Gibbons, last year's Sweetheart of Sigma Chi who this year was selected as one of the three finalists in the Maid of Cotton contest. This won her the right to go to Fresno and compete in the state finals.

Since we have just looked back over past events we can now look into Omega's plans for the future. Foremost among these is a tea to honor Mrs. Don Hogate, First Grand Vice President who will visit us in March. Also scheduled for March is our Founder's Day tea which can not be held in January due to finals.

Omega chapter is anticipating a new and busy semester. It is evident from tanned and sun burned faces that many Thetas enjoyed their semester vacation skiing. Thetas were unexpectedly pleased to find a completely remodeled kitchen awaiting them. First on the agenda of the new semester is the election of new officers which will take place soon. Nineteen pledges are looking forward to initiation to be held in the near future.

Monday night excitement was furnished by Pat Porter, Dixie Gramatky and Polly Minor when they each passed the traditional box of chocolates at dinner revealing their engagements. It is believed that more Thetas will join the ranks of the bride-elects in the near future.

Priscilla Scroufe
Joyce Williams

CALIFORNIA (UCLA)

Beta Xi

Mid semester found Beta Xi Thetas still full of spirit and enthusiasm. The completion of exams ended activities which will always be remembered but the excitement of coming events has never been so anticipated.

Two of our most fun weekends stemmed from invitations we received from the Omicron and Omega chapters. On the weekend of October 30 we journeyed north to view the Cal-U.C.L.A. football game. We all felt so at home with Omicron chapter because of their friendliness and hospitality. It gave us a chance to make many acquaintances with our almost neighbor chapter and talk over mutual friends and activities. Another football game brought Beta Xi and Omega chapters together. A pre-game brunch began the day with the serving of a most wonderful and filling



Gail Rising of Beta Xi chapter is A.W.S. vice president, a member of the Cal Club, Chimes, and the Faculty Committee.

breakfast. This was followed by joint singing of old songs and the exchanging of new songs. Immediately following the game we returned for an open house which gave us another opportunity to renew friendships.

About this same time we were honored with visits from Mrs. Daly, District President, and Mrs. Gonser. We always enjoy these times so much because of the enthusiasm they bear and the helpful suggestions they are able to give us. We are looking forward to other visits from them.

The Christmas holidays instigated many parties and events. Most vividly remembered was our annual Christmas formal which was held in conjunction with Phi Gamma Delta fraternity. The club, overlooking the ocean, made a perfect setting for the occasion. During this same week we also held a Christmas tree decorating party and combined the decorating with exchanging of funny gifts, singing, and (of course) eating. We also filled old stockings with toys and games for needy European children so the party was constructive as well as fun.

Participation in girls' intramurals was entered into with great zest this semester and we felt quite proud to bring home the first place trophy in the swimming division. Our next adventure will be basketball and we're hoping for a repeat performance of the previous.

To finish off last semester, an advisory board dinner was held. It was enjoyed by everyone so much that we have decided to make this an annual occasion. It gave us a change to meet with these alumnae who help us so much and informally discuss house functions with them. Another purpose for this dinner was

to honor our wonderful house mother, Mrs. Karl Lobdell, who is the greatest help to us of all.

February rushing brought Beta Xi two new wonderful pledges. They are Dora Lee Rodes and Betty Clewell. Our thanks goes to our rush chairman, Darlene Dwyer and her assistant, Patti McMartin, for these new additions.

1955 officers have been elected and Carol Grund now holds the position of president. Members on her board are: 1st vice president (scholarship): Maureen Moriarty; 2nd vice president (pledge): Lynne Murphy; treasurer, Judy Fargo; house manager, Connie Killgore; standards chairman, Merry Athearn; social chairman, Pat Price; rush chairman, Patti McMartin; Panhellenic delegate, Dorothy Burke; corresponding secretary, Helen McIntyre; activities chairman, Judy Pickard; recording secretary, Terry Hurty. We know through previous experiences that Carol will serve this office well and set the example for others to follow.

Looking into the future we see a vision of more exchanges, parties and university events and all indications promise a fun and successful year for Beta Xi Thetas.

Maureen Moriarty

CARNEGIE TECH

Gamma Theta

Tech Thetas started their year off right with the annual weekend retreat at a cabin in beautiful Mt. Laurel Park. There, we had a chance to catch up on news of the summer and plan our school year. Almost as soon as we returned to school, rush began, and we pledged our quota of three upperclassmen who are: Suzie Groves, Canton, Ohio; LaVelle Hirschberg, McKeesport, Pa.; and Sally Tull, Bradford, Pa.

Early in the fall, too, we started what we hope will become a Gamma Theta tradition. For the purpose of promoting better understanding among sororities on the campus, we held a Greek openhouse at the Carnegie Union. All sororities enjoyed the party, and the hit of the day was our centerpiece—a Parthenon made of sugar cubes.

Philanthropies also occupied a great deal of our time. We tagged for the Pittsburgh Children's Home and held our annual Christmas Orphan's party with Delta Tau Delta fraternity. This year we decided to adopt a Korean Child through the Foster Parents Plan, and our meetings have been brightened by letters from the little girl. This year, proceeds from our benefit bridge went partly for the support of this war orphan.

Our pledges were initiated in early December, and we gave a small party in their honor at the Beta Theta Pi house. Decorations were in the Christmas theme, the pledge skit was hilarious, and everyone had the time of their lives.

Rush for freshmen and transfers has now started, and everyone is busy working on party committees. In addition to a new pledge class, we are looking forward to our spring formal, Greek Sing, and our campaign for Carnival Queen. In 1954, Gamma Theta was represented by many beauties. Marilyn Porter

and Marjorie Ruttle were attendants to Carnival Queen, Shirley Wilson was Sweetheart of Kappa Sigma, and Joan Webber was Honorary Colonel of Military Ball. In 1955 we hope to do even better.

Mary Ann Frederick

CINCINNATI

Alpha Tau

The bright days of October flew by with Alpha Tau well into the busy fall schedule. Alums were greeted with warmth and refreshment at the Theta house after a cold and wet Homecoming game. Black and gold kites were donned by three happy initiates: Sallie Ann Beavers, Janet McIntosh and Janet Shafer. Good times held their own when we had a party with Lambda Chi, and Delta Tau Delta honored us with a fried chicken dinner. We all enjoyed the end of the month when it was highlighted by a visit from Mrs. Edwards, District President.

November found us occupied with informal rush, and, as a result, Joan Nash (of Springfield, Ohio), Faith Davis, and Virginia Wolfe were welcomed as Theta pledges. The University of Cincinnati bond issue was passed with the help of all U.C. students. Members of Alpha Tau worked along with the fellows of Sigma Phi Epsilon, and despite long hours in the bitter cold, it was a great deal of fun.

With the Theta house as a restaurant, Beverly Bacon was introduced at our Sopho's open house, and at the dance, Bev was elected to court. Several Thetas headed Religious Emphasis Week committees with all attending the convocations and seminars. The annual Thanksgiving dinner was complete with all the trimmings and the spirit of sisterhood.

Singing and merriment were beheld at the exchange dinners with Pi Kappa Alpha, Sigma Chi, Alpha Tau Omega, Sigma Alpha Mu, Beta Theta Pi, and Sigma Phi Epsilon. Amid the beautiful setting of Summit Hills Country Club, the pledges were introduced to campus at their formal which was called the "Snow Belle Ball." Although spills were witnessed, most got along fine at the skating party held with Theta Phi Alpha at the Cincinnati Gardens. Our house-mother, Mrs. Audrey Underwood, gave us a tree trimming party with fun as the general theme. The tree and other decorations by the Mothers' Club lent sparkle to the house for our chapter Christmas party.

Relaxation and enjoyment were provided by the Founders' Day banquet in January as Mrs. Mary Brandriff addressed the actives and alums. The Martha Vordenberg Coons Pin award was presented to Marilyn Brunner while Mary Cae Planck and Betty Tegel received the senior activities award.

Along with all this chapter activity, credit has been brought to the name of Kappa Alpha Theta by individuals. Karen Stith was the only freshman appointed to the Y.W.C.A. cabinet, Patty Jones served as president of the Spanish honorary, Sigma Delta Pi, and Jean Bauer headed the philanthropic project of Panhellenic. Janet Rodger was again a varsity cheerleader and Nancy McCaslin played on the varsity hockey team. Playing for the first time in years, Kappa Alpha Theta won the basketball championship. Ann Wells added another trophy to those on the

mantel as she was voted the Rose of Delta Sigma Pi.

All the Thetas are backing Amelia Kotte as our candidate for Junior Prom Queen and for Honorary Cadet Colonel. Triangle has also selected Amy as their candidate for the Goddess of the Greeks.

Coming up soon is Greek Week, installation of officers, the scholarship banquet, initiation, and a Panhellenic exchange dinner. Although the Sing is several months away, practices are well under way with hard work and hopes. A party with Sigma Alpha Mu, a Phi Delta Theta fireside, a Triangle exchange dinner and the spring formal round out the social calendar.

Barbara Heitzler

COLORADO

Beta Iota

The Beta Iotas returned to their Theta home in Boulder on January 7 to begin spring registration after a mid-semester vacation of skiing and relaxation. Starting the new semester with renewed vigor, we entertained alumnæ on February 9 at our annual Founders' Day Dinner at which the pledges joined us for dessert and coffee.

Plans were made with the Alpha Chi Omegas to hold, on February 18, an informal dance, "Alpha Duo," in memory of our founding chapters at DePauw University. The Town House in Denver has been reserved for the event.

Again this year the Thetas are happy to have been selected to appear in the annual A.W.S. Review, "Toast to Milady." The owners and patrons of Tony's Barbershop have been tirelessly rehearsing their numbers for the skit; and word is going around that Tony himself has perfected an amazing new tonic that will grow an abundance of hair on the barest head. He's calling it "Tony's Titonic!" The review will be presented March 18 and 19.

On March 17 we are looking forward to a visit from our district president, Mrs. Blevins, of District IV. She will spend two days in Boulder with us.

The date for the formal initiation of our pledges has been set for March 6. We are very pleased with some of the excellent records our pledges are making, both academically and in activities.

We are proud to add to our list of honorary members, Judy Harvey, who was recently initiated into Alpha Delta Theta for her record in the field of medical technology.

Mary Judd

COLORADO A & M

Beta Gamma

Theta's living interpretation of a flame claimed the 1954 Skit Nite trophy for Beta Gamma. That gleaming trophy was well worth the hours spent dancing, singing, and scrubbing tempora paint in flame colors of blue, yellow, orange, and red off our skin.

January 29 found us bursting with pride as 25 new Thetas donned their kites. January also found the selection of Carol Eliason, Betsy Clark, and Mary Ann Thulin as Army ROTC sponsors, and Jeanne

Parker, Effa Mae Carlson, and Debby Lichtenberg as Aggie Angels, the AFROTC sponsors.

Mary Ann received further honor when she was selected attendant to the Winterskol Queen at Aspen, Colorado, in national competition with other skiers. The A & M Women's ski team claims Thetas' Tina Morehead, Jan Painter, and Bonny Bonnema. The nearby ski slopes see many other Thetas tempting their luck but having a great deal of fun 'most every weekend.

Foresters' Days find Debby Lichtenberg and Jeanne Parker candidates for the Queen title which will be conferred February 19. We are also eagerly awaiting the AWS elections this coming week for many Thetas are running for offices.

Our voices are receiving a great deal of exercise these days as we are preparing for the annual Hesperia Sing on February 20. The Lambda Chis are adding their voices to ours in the mixed group division.

Our plans for a tri-chapter retreat with Beta Omega and Beta Iota in April are progressing slowly but surely. It promises to be quite a worthwhile and thrilling experience.

Katie Blevins

COLORADO COLLEGE

Beta Omega

Beta Omega is on its way to another busy and exciting semester. From the tanned faces it is evident that many Thetas spent semester vacation at our Winter Carnival in Aspen. Carol Northcutt was crowned Snow Queen to reign over the festivities and also placed first in skiing competition.

Individual honors from last semester went to Judy Avery who was voted "Miss C. C." and Marcia Manning who was awarded our scholarship pin for the highest average. To the sorority as a whole, the cup for first place in the Homecoming float competition was awarded.

Hallowe'en brought our annual party for underprivileged children with the Sigma Chis. The two big dances of the season were the pledge dance, the theme being "Sugar and Spice," and our Christmas dance which we shared with the Delta Gammas and the Gamma Phis. We also entertained at a Christmas party, exchanging gifts to be sent on to the Institute of Logopedics.

We proudly announce our affiliation of Marty Stinson, who came to us from Alpha Upsilon and the coming initiation of our 20 pledges. Although we are gaining new actives we have lost two graduating seniors, Barbara Esden and Patsy Carter, a senior, Jan Charters and a pledge, Claudette Brignall.

Now, in the first week of our new semester we are in the midst of spring rush. We have had our open house and are busy working on our last party, "A Bermuda Hop." It will be given in our lodge with Thetas and rushees wearing Bermuda shorts and planned entertainment fitting into the party theme.

We are anticipating our annual song fest and other spring activities.

Marlyn Wallace



Mary Ann Thulin of Beta Gamma was Winterskol Queen attendant at the skiing competition held at Aspen, Colorado.

CONNECTICUT

Gamma Zeta

Hearty salutations of "You haven't changed a bit" and "It's so good to be back" echoed through the halls of Gamma Zeta, for our annual Homecoming weekend was upon us once again. Displays of all sizes, shapes and structures enhanced the ivy walls of the Connecticut campus.

Gamma Zeta's display—that of a photographer snapping the picture of an old time Theta and her football beau with catchy slogans of "Our Alums Click With Us" "Let's Make Main Shutter"—drew much appreciation from alum onlookers. To make the weekend complete one of our Gamma Zeta lovelies, Caroline Kennedy, was attendant to the Queen.

With October and our much-awaited Thanksgiving vacation over, we returned afresh to take over our rushing tasks. Our entertainments, a Debutante party and our Theta Candyland informal party, were enjoyed by rushees and sisters alike.

The Norwich Inn will again be the site of our pledge debuts. Carol Crowley, Ann Barry, Ann Towse, Patricia Haggert, Patricia Annino, Nancy Forger, and Nancy Thomas will be Gamma Zeta's honored guests January sixth.

Despite all our rushing vigor we still had time to reap national honors. Claire Christian, Gamma Zeta's president and a university scholar has been elected to *Who's Who*.

Mrs. Stevens, our District President, was indeed our honored guest for three days in October. We learned much and were given very helpful and constructive advice. We are all looking forward to another visit.

Elizabeth De Rise

CORNELL

Iota

Ring out three cheers for the Iota Thetas! Upping our scholastic average from last spring's 77.99 to an 81.13 this fall, we now stand above and beyond the all-women, all-sorority average at Cornell. All work and no play? Not exactly. Our extensive, and well planned social activities have added much spark to the school year.

Dining and dancing at the annual Fountainbleau formal, held in honor of our new initiates, is a well remembered occasion. Fancy hors d'oeuvres, gay decorations, entertainment by the Discorders (Iota's monotonies) and a meal including roast beef and creme de menthe parfaits contributed to everyone's enjoyment. Other events included in the fall social program have been weekly coffee hours with various fraternities and sororities on campus, exchange dinners, and successful receptions for our new house mother, Mrs. Kellogg Patterson, and the Cornell faculty members. Gallons of mulled cider and countless spudnuts were served to friends we invited to the house for a Christmas tree-trim.

At the Theta bazaar, we saw our handmade articles . . . everything from argyles to pastries . . . sold to support our Korean war orphan. The bazaar has become an annual fund raising project at Iota and is always well attended by busy Christmas shoppers. With this event in the past, our thoughts and extra moments are now being spent in preparation for rushing, which occurs at the beginning of our spring term.

Iota is proud of her individual honors. Francie Williams has been chosen a candidate for the Miss New York contest, and if selected, she will compete for the title of Miss America. Billie Campbell is one of three Cornell girls to be accepted in the Cornell Medical School. Omicron Nu, scholastic honorary in Home Economics, recently claimed Patricia Wells. Perhaps our most unusual honor has been bestowed

upon Anne Morrissey who, as sports editor for the *Cornell Daily Sun*, won national acclaim at being the first woman to enter the press boxes of Yale, Pennsylvania and Cornell Universities. Anne is also a candidate for the Dixie Classic basketball tournament beauty queen contest.

With the enthusiasm of this year's chapter, the help of our District President, Mrs. Lloyd Howard Jones, and the encouragement of our alums, we look forward to another successful term.

Julia Chandler Scott

DENISON

Beta Tau

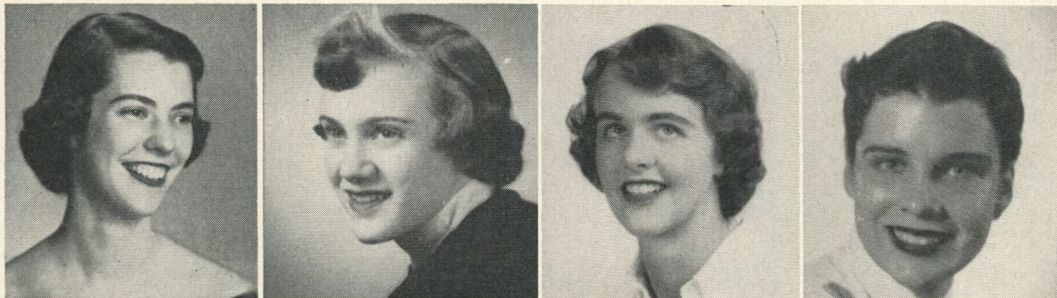
The Beta Taus were very honored to have the Grand President, Ellen Bowers Hofstead, visit us January 13, 14 and 15. On January 13 Mrs. Hofstead spoke to the entire chapter at a chapter dinner and later she had individual appointments with the officers. A tea was given Friday afternoon by the Newark-Granville alumnae and the active members. The Dean of Women, head residents, and all sorority presidents were invited to meet Mrs. Hofstead.

Saturday morning Mrs. Hofstead, active members and several alumnae traveled to Columbus to celebrate Founders' Day with Ohio State and Ohio Wesleyan chapters. The Beta Taus gave a skit for the enjoyment of all. We all enjoyed meeting our Grand President and hope that she may pay us a visit again.

The actives and pledges alike were scurrying around after returning to school following exams. The pledge formals were held Friday, February 11. The Wee White House was adorned in black and gold. Each class participated in some way to help make this important formal outstanding. The seniors served and entertained; the juniors were chefs for the evening while the sophomores cleaned up and had a surprise breakfast for the pledges the next morning.

Courtesy week began Sunday evening, February 13, with a chapter dinner. Everyone is eagerly anticipating initiation, following which, the new initiates will be honored at a banquet given by the actives and alumnae.

Christian Emphasis week, a semi-annual religious program, begins the winter program the week of



Left to right: At Cornell, Cyd Brandon, recently Sweetheart of Sigma Chi, has been elected to Raven and Serpent, activities honorary. Pat Wells is a member of Mortar Board and Omicron Nu, home economics honorary—and has recently been awarded a Rotary scholarship for graduate study in Europe. Myra Dickman and Julie Scott have been elected to Alpha Alpha Gamma, fine arts and architecture honorary.



Barbara Rasor, Beta Tau sophomore, was crowned Queen of 1954 Winter Carnival at Denison.

February 21. A speaker will be invited to the house to lead a discussion concerning some pertinent religious question.

The entire chapter is looking forward to the Panhellenic dance which is March 26.

Unsigned

DEPAUW

Alpha

"Theta Lips" have been smiling so brightly lately that the theme of Alpha has switched to "Wedding Bells Are Breaking Up That Old Gang of Mine." Within the past few months Naomi Sjostrom became Mrs. Richard McGrew; Jane Mills, Mrs. Barry Baumgardner; Sara Seger, Mrs. Dave Smith; Suzie Smith, Mrs. Gale Ramsby; and Marcia Wheeler, Mrs. Richard Mussman.

But with the coming of spring rush we are happy to announce the addition of the following girls to our pledge class: Dorothy Drake, Springfield, Ohio; Jeanne Hickman, Greencastle, Ind.; Judith Hoff, Cleveland Heights, Ohio; Bobby Jean Pipkin, Baytown, Tex.; Barbara Smalheer, Cleveland, Ohio; Joyce Egan, Chicago, Ill. And more girls may be pledged this coming week.

Although our freshmen staged a walk-out February 11, we are still proud of them. For all 20 freshmen made their grades to be initiated! They will fly their kites the weekend of the 12th of March, which is also the weekend of State Day, when all of the chapters in District I will get together in Indianapolis, Ind.

Despite snowy weather we were hostesses to a number of our alumnae for the annual Founders' Day dessert on February 3. After several inspiring speeches Fifty-Year-Theta awards were presented to the following: Miss Gertrude DeForest, Alpha '93; Mrs. F. W. Hixson (Laura Canady), Alpha '98; Mrs. Ferd Lucas (Helen Gregory), Beta; Mrs. W. M. McGaughey (Elizabeth Matthews), Alpha '02; Miss Pearl O'Hair, Alpha '07; and Mrs. Thomas Woodson (Alma John), Alpha '02.

At your request, we are repeating the names of our fall pledges who are legacies, with a list of their relatives. Barbara Coppes—(mother: Ruth Briggs Coppes, '26, Alpha; grandmother: Mrs. A. T. Briggs, '91, Alpha; aunts: Genevieve Briggs Rice, '16, Alpha; Margaret Briggs Gardiner, '17, Alpha; Mildred Briggs, '22, Alpha; Mary Briggs Blanchard, '30, Alpha); Rosemary Davis—(sisters: Betty Davis and Marjorie Davis Moorhead, '54, Alpha); Roberta Gates—(aunt: Louise Innes Powell, '42, Beta Omicron); Ann Johnson—(aunt: Roberta Johnson Morehouse, '39, Beta); and Mary Lynn McCorkle—(mother: Lola Fisher McCorkle, '30, Alpha.)

Our sophomores have taught us that there is something to do on a walk-out besides stay up all night playing bridge. They left us the weekend of February 4 to the tune of their new class song. And they came back singing three Theta songs they composed while gone, which they have since taught to the house.

Since the semester started in January several Alpha Thetas have received honors on the DePauw campus. Lou Ann Hart, Ginie Wieland, and Jane Umbriet have part in Monon Review. Lou Ann is also the new house deputy treasurer, and Ginie has the lead in the Opera Workshop production of "Carmen." Jane



Kay Anderson of DePauw, chosen beauty queen for the Mirage, campus yearbook.

Umbriet is head of properties for Monon and on Goldiggers' Ball publicity committee. Anne Ehrenhardt is appearing in Monon and is on the properties committee; while Jo Petry is organizational manager of Monon and copy editor for the *DePauw* newspaper. Sylvia Cannon is secretary for the publications board. Jody Cline is a new member of Duzer Du and Radio Theater and is on the makeup committee for Monon. Judy Campbell has been chosen for the *Mademoiselle* college board. Finally, three of our pledges have made high enough grades to be admitted to Alpha Lambda Delta; they are Judy Hoff, Carol Conder, and Ann Johnson.

Seven girls from Alpha are going up to Albion College at Albion, Michigan, for installation of our newest Theta chapter March 4, 5, and 6. They hope to see you there then.

Sylvia West Cannon

DRAKE

Beta Kappa

Homecoming weekend was October 23 at Drake this year. The theme of our house decorations was "Drake Swallows All But De Feet" for which we were very happy to have won the trophy for first prize.

Our social calendar has consisted of a western party, "Christmas Dream" party, "Kite—Key" party which was a joint party with the Kappas and proved to be a big success.

We pledged Donna Duncan and Pat Legge in open rush this year and are now in the middle of formal spring rush.

On January 22, we had our Founders' Day luncheon at the Golf and Country Club. Our comical entertainment on the history of Theta was very cleverly worked out by a number of the actives.

Three of our girls were chosen as semi-finalists in the *Quax* beauty contest. They were Cay Cunningham, Carol Osborn, and Shirley Spiker. Shirley is our finalist in the contest and is also a candidate for the Honorary Cadet Colonel contest.

Tryouts for the annual "Bull Dog Tales" variety show will be coming up in a week or so in which we will enter our act. After "Tales" we will be working on Sweetheart Sing which will be during Greek weekend in the spring.

Louise Shriver

DUKE

Beta Rho

Beta Rho is enjoying an active year and one which has brought several innovations under the leadership of Kim Barrows. After a three-week rush period in October, directed by Sally Hazen, 18 freshmen and one transfer were pledged: Sally Alexander, Indianapolis, Ind.; Grace Alston, Warrenton, N.C.; Barry Altwater, Denver, Colo.; Jean Armentrout and Nancy Fairgrieve, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Karen Black, Shaker Heights, Ohio; Jean Faulkner, Henderson, N.C.; Happy Goeble, Arlington, Va.; Marilyn Grandt, Garden City, N.Y.; Helen Gray, New York, N.Y.; Lois Ingram, Cleveland Heights, Ohio; Alice McKee,



"Drake Swallows All But De Feet" took first place in the sorority division of the Drake Homecoming decorations this year.

Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.; Vega Miller, Brooklyn, N.Y.; Gwennie Mumma, Dayton, Ohio; Ann Nicholson, Durham, N.C.; Nancy Oexle, Pensacola, Fla.; Laura Penfield, West Hartford, Conn.; Lois Petersen, Charlotte, N.C., and Gail Lassister, Winston-Salem, N.C.

Led by pledge trainer Janie Perry, these girls participated in community and Greek Week activities and prepared for their initiation in February. In January, two more freshmen were pledged: Vera Campbell, Redondo Beach, Calif. and Ellen Flannery, Coral Gables, Fla.

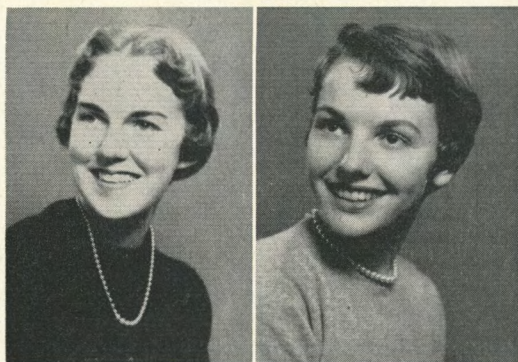
Early in December, Mrs. C. E. Brandriff, Grand Alumnae Secretary visited the chapter and offered many valuable and stimulating suggestions.

Since the center of activity for Duke Thetas is one room in the Panhellenic House on campus, Beta Rho has its peculiar problems. With weekly meetings being the chief contact with one another as a group, a major concern is creating and maintaining a real feeling of sisterhood. This year, besides retaining a personnel committee, under Sue Brooks, whose members are responsible for improving morale in each dormitory, there have been individual class supper meetings in the chapter room for sorority evaluation and slate nomination as well as for social purposes; after-supper coffees, which pledges attend, occur bi-monthly preceding a meeting; occasionally a faculty member speaks to the group at this time about travels or other topics. Adopting a needy family at Christmas provided many opportunities to work together.

The chapter has been entertained by various fraternities and has held receptions for all concerned following serenades. For the first time, the Golden Triad, consisting of Kappa Alpha Theta, Kappa Kappa Gamma and Pi Beta Phi sororities, presented its pledges at an off-campus dinner-dance at the Raleigh Country Club. The unanimous and enthusiastic approval of this experiment, due in part to social chairman Judy LeFever, will no doubt result in similar future pledge dances.

Other new ideas include the establishment of team rivalry to increase scholarship and the creation of a permanent room decoration fund.

Beta Rho has been active in campus affairs also: Ann Henson is Aycock House president and, member



Both Patricia Brown (left) and Judy Lefever (right) of Beta Rho chapter are active in the Duke Players. Patricia is a member of Phi Beta Kappa and Judy is a member of Phi Delta Kappa.

of White Duchy, senior honorary; Ann Hundley is Jarvis House judicial representative; Patricia Brown is chairman of Student Forum, a very active group bringing different personalities and events to the campus. Trish is Phi Beta Kappa and belongs to several other honoraries. Cinny Impey was Panhellenic advisor for Brown House while Judy LeFever, Nancy Newell and Janie Perry contributed much time and effort as freshman advisors.

Beauty courts still reveal many Thetas although they will lack Meb Benton and Helen Foppert who graduated in February. These girls will be missed by the chapter in deeper ways as well. Marilyn Grandt, Marion Huey, Judy LeFever and Gwennie Mumma are in the court of the yearbook beauty queen.

In the immediate future, after celebrating Founders' Day at a banquet with the Durham Alumnae club, Beta Rho will initiate and fete 18 girls and send at least five representatives to the District Convention at Richmond, Va. Also planned is a reception given by Theta pledges for the pledges of the other 12 sororities on campus.

Here at Duke, Theta continues to grow in understanding the true meaning of sisterhood and continues to work toward the goals of a mature and broader adulthood.

Jane Rutherford

FLORIDA

Beta Nu

No letter.

FRESNO

Gamma Chi

No letter.

GEORGE WASHINGTON

Gamma Kappa

On February 13, we welcomed nine girls into Theta sisterhood. The new initiates are: Barbara Baldauf, Stella Case, Linda Kerr, Nancy Krenek, Mary Pope, Carolyn Rowe, Barbara Suse, Sandy Thompson and

Valery Thornton. Nancy Krenek was awarded the pledge scholarship cup and Linda Kerr was given the model pledge award. An initiation dinner was held afterwards at the home of Mrs. H. A. Houser in Kensington, Md.

In the honors department, we are very proud of Ann Ried who was awarded the Panhellenic Book Scholarship Prize for the senior girl with the highest over-all average. Her average for four years of college work was 3.96, one of the highest this university has ever seen. At our Founders' Day luncheon, Gamma Kappas were very surprised to learn that according to a survey recently made of scholarship standing of sororities and fraternities all over the country, our chapter placed 31.45 per cent above the fraternity average and 31.14 per cent above the sorority average. This is indeed an honor of which we are justly proud and we hope that in the following semesters we can maintain this high scholarship. We still are tops on campus in scholarship.

We have three Thetas who were recently selected for *Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities*. They are our president Barbara Bailey, Mariette Schneider and Beverly Blades.

Last semester was a busy time for all Gamma Kappas with the annual Goat Show, Homecoming and Open House. We placed third in Homecoming float awards and our masterpiece was displayed during the half-time activities of the Homecoming game. Mariette Schneider and Lois Lapham were both candidates for Homecoming Queen and Lois was one of the nine finalists. Our openhouse which was held in November was very successful despite the icy rain and snow which besieged us that day.

Our pledges were presented on December 4 at the annual pledge formal held this year at the Roger Smith Hotel. Twelve lovely girls led the dancing, after walking through a kite-shaped archway. A gathering at the home of Sally Reifsnnyder, where pictures were taken, preceded the dance.

Stella Case was our candidate for the "Rag-Doll" contest, the annual Clothes for Korea Drive that is held every fall. Mariette Schneider has been chosen Queen of Delta Tau Delta fraternity. We also had five candidates for Apple Blossom Princess: Priscilla Palmer, Nancy Krenek, Mariette Schneider, Connie Atkins and Patty Evans. Mariette is one of the three finalists and final judging will be held at the Fashion Show on February 25.

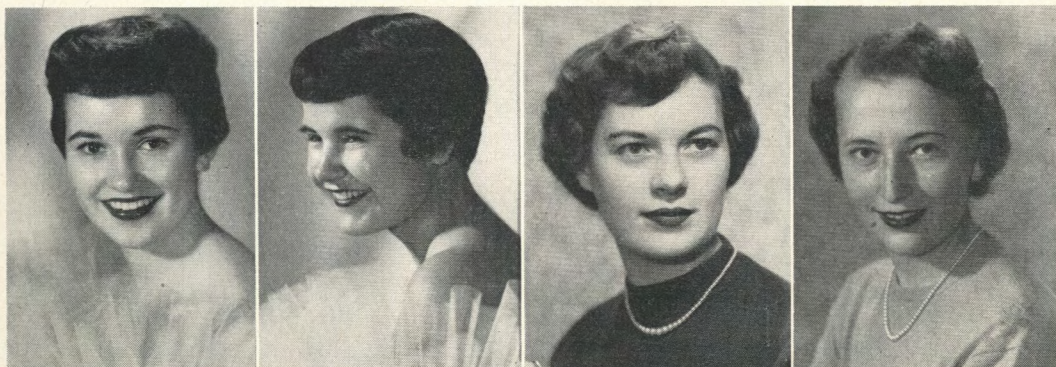
This semester will prove to be a busy one for us also. First on the agenda is the annual Panhellenic Sing which will be held March 16. We are also planning exchange luncheons with the different sororities on campus and coffee hours with some of the fraternities. Right now we are all looking forward to our District Convention to be held in Richmond, Va.

Vera Allen

GEORGIA

Gamma Delta

Gamma Delta elected officers for the next term of one year starting March 22. Marian Hopkins, Athens, was re-elected president; Susie Dearing, Poland, Ohio,



Beta Theta pledges Marilyn Stewart and Karen Warner achieved two queenships at Idaho. Left to right: Marilyn Stewart, Sweetheart of Sigma Chi and Karen Warner, $\Sigma A E$ Queen of Violets. Actives Elenor Henry and Shirley Danielson are members of Spurs, sophomore honorary.

vice president; Martha Bender, Savannah, corresponding secretary; Nancy Marshall, Augusta, treasurer; Sally Fortune, Lafayette, recording secretary.

Our winter quarter pledges are Jean Carter, Savannah; Mary Anne Shults, Atlanta; Lucy Keating, Savannah; Carole Heffernon, Savannah; Joan Ryckley, Atlanta; Beverly Brannon, Statesboro; Liz Morris, Savannah.

We celebrated the Founders' Day Banquet on January 30. Our guests of honor were four of the twelve founders of Gamma Delta, Janette McGarity Barber, Joanna Stegeman Traylor, Frances Brandon Lane, and Marisue Oliver Oxford.

Kay Sloan, Atlanta, was elected "model pledge" by the chapter, and Margie Morrissey, Savannah, was awarded the Cleo Freedman award for outstanding scholarship.

The banquet climaxed the day after the initiation of twenty one girls. Initiates were Mary Virginia Baughman, Legay Sue Burkett, Mary E. Clapp, Janet Emmons, Evelyn Gowan, Connie Hicks, Barbara Hunnius, Lane Longino, Jone McKenney, Nini Maltby, Erroll Methvin, Mary Ellen Miller, Mary Adelia, Morley, Margie Morrissey, Dot Owen, Susannah Robertson, Ann Sullivan, Barbara Tillery, Mary Clare Turner, Kathy Williams and Kay Sloan.

Mary Adelia Morley was chosen Sweetheart of Theta Chi, while a few other Thetas were honored in different ways. Marian Hopkins was elected vice president of Women's Athletic Association, Marta Bender was chosen vice president of Geechee Club, and Lucy Butler serves as secretary of Geechee Club. Kay Sloan was initiated into Theta Sigma Phi, a national journalism fraternity for women. Initiated into Phi Chi Theta, national business fraternity, were Marilyn Eckerman, Sally Fortune, Julie Gay and Dottie Newton.

Gamma Delta worked with the university in collecting money for the March of Dimes campaign held in Athens during the month of January.

Spring quarter promises a lot of work and play for the Thetas here at Georgia. The latest news flash for spring is that Lucy Keating was selected for the Queen's Court of the President's Ball March of Dimes,

and that Kay Kinne was elected to serve on the student-faculty committee of the Home Economics school.

Joey Sawatzka

IDAHO

Beta Theta

"Coo-coo over you, Dad" was the theme for Dad's Day in November. With the Fijis' aid we mounted a huge yellow and red clock (coo-coo to be sure) on the front of the house. It was a vague facsimile of a Swiss chalet clock. Also among decorations was our Homecoming float with the motto, "Fanfare For Alums." Yellow and olive-green crepe paper was stuffed into a fan shaped frame. Other posters and signs were made by the pledges, including one for the Washington State game which Idaho won for the first time in 29 years.

One of the best football games last season was that between the Theta and Kappa Sigma pledges. Although the boys were at a disadvantage with belts around their knees, the girls won overwhelmingly. Their reward of victory was to be spattered with green paint. After the first big snow, another battle was held between our pledges and the SAE pledges. There were some rather cold toes and noses, but the record considers it a draw. In late October we had a dinner exchange with the Sigma Chis.

To our surprise and joy Marilyn Stewart was elected Sweetheart of Sigma Chi in December. Virginia Nelson was a finalist in that contest also. Karen Warner walked away with the SAE Queen of Violets crown while Barbara Joseph became one of the five finalists in the ATO Esquire Girl contest. Lorraine Langdon and Betty Jo Roberts were candidates for Angel of the Air Force.

Besides being a queen, Marilyn Stewart is a politician, having won the position of freshman class secretary. Shirley Henry, tapped last spring, was elected secretary of Hell Divers, a campus swimming honorary. In early February we selected house officers of which Ann Pool is president. Marie Brammer is vice-president with Helen Ann Douglas, recording secretary; Mary Jane Philips, corresponding secretary; Shirley Henry, treasurer; Wilma Schmidt, rush chair-

man; Pat Stewart, house manager; Carolyn Babcock, social chairman; Susie Dolphin, scholarship chairman and Arlene Brown, song leader. To conclude this list: Betty Miller, archivist; Donna Thompson, marshal; Betsey Dregnie, activities; Leah Nanninga, press relations; Jo Carol Bicket, editor; Kay Kaufman, chaplain; Joyce Latham, alumnae relations and Ellie Henry, fraternity educations.

Shortly after house elections our brother fraternity came to visit. The pledges had "borrowed" their flag which irritated them. Our Fiji brothers were pacified with a box of Valentine candy. Yes, we returned the flag also. One night our hashers had a "Mr. McGoo" meal with everything topsy-turvy. We drank coffee from glasses, found salt in the pepper shakers and had our main dish served on salad plates. The fellows wore derbies and loud vests.

With noise-makers and masks the pledges awakened the members for their annual Halloween party. We played charades and ate candied apples, pop-corn, cider and donuts. We even went to bed after all that food! Moscow alums gave the pledges a Halloween party as a means of getting acquainted. Among other games, we wrote a round-robin story which produced some odd tales.

Mrs. Raymond Beil, our District President, came to visit us for three days in mid-October. We held a tea in her honor to which we invited the presidents and housemothers from campus and Alpha Sigma's president and housemother. On the evening before Mrs. Beil left, the house entertained her by classes at a fire-side.

As Christmas drew near we decided to have a tree trimming party which proved most successful. Our dates came for dinner and then we sang carols while

trimming the tree. Its counterpart—untrimming the tree—was accomplished by having a late fireside the night before classes finished.

Many engagement rings came back in January when we held our costume dance. The theme for this was, "Mother Goose On The Loose." Two of the cutest costumed couples were a pair of pink bunnies and the ones who went as Little Bo-peep and Little Boy Blue.

This spring should bring more honors, festivities and picnicking for us of Beta Theta.

Jo Carol Bicket

ILLINOIS

Delta

"It's high time that we all went places
high time we were gay,
It's high time that we jumped some traces,
but in a highly respectable way!"—and we did!

This was our theme song that helped us to win first place in the annual Homecoming stunt show with Sigma Chi. This show is an annual event sponsored by Student Union activities in honor of all Illini alums. It is a whole program comprised of six ten-minute musical comedies that follow a central theme, which was "Collegiate" for 1954. Our show, with the Sigs, was a take-off on a familiar malady of college freshmen: homesickness. *Homesick* revolved around two college freshmen who felt that they were really misfits in the university, but after some lively song and dance numbers by the chorus and two co-eds who used to have the same trouble, they are made to feel that they really belong to the group. Special effects created in the show were not only in the



Scene from the Theta-Sigma Chi winning stunt show "Homesick" on the Illinois campus.



Jennifer Byrne of Beta chapter was elected Sweetheart of Delta Chi at Indiana.

predominant use of charcoal black and pink as colors, but in outstanding dances and singing. Everyone had a hand in this success; the house was a huge bee-hive of activity with fittings, sewing, painting backdrops, and members of the cast could be seen after hours working to perfect their particular part of the number. We couldn't have won without every single person co-operating so beautifully!

November 20 was also a highlight to 611 E. Daniel! It was the day of the mighty "Powder Bowl" football game between the Theta pledges (coached by the SAEs) and the D.G. pledges (coached by the Phi Delt). There was only one drawback to the excitement of winning 32-25, watching the marching bands at half-time of D.G. and Theta, the crowning of "Miss Powder Bowl of 1954" (Judy Hoggatt, unanimously elected by Theta), and cheering our D.G. "Chief Illiniwick"—and that was the fact that the game was held on a field about a mile from our house at 8:00 Saturday morning at about 27° above zero!

The house was also tremendously excited to find out that we had four Thetas who were to be honored at the annual "100 Banquet" held for all seniors outstanding in scholarship and activities. They were our two Mortar Boards, Donna Wilson and Sue Anderson, Ann Twardock and Sue Olmstead.

Doris Drew, our scholarship chairman, announced that Theta was also in the first quartile of Greek women scholastically. So, all in all, it looks like a great semester for Delta with more to come in the future!

Mary Liz Alexander

INDIANA

Beta

Amid the strain and stress of registering and enrolling for spring semester classes, Beta Thetas pledged 20 freshmen. Now the proud owners of black and gold pledge pins are Mary George Hunter (daughter of Eleanor Goodwin, Alpha) New Castle; Mary Poolitsan and Joan Hall, Bloomington; Gretchen Keehn (daughter of Genevieve Burger, Beta '23), Kay Fisbeck (sister of Diana Fisbeck, Beta '54), Jane Ransel, Jill Strickland and Letha Bolles, Indianapolis; Lucinda Benzel (sister of Gretchen Benzel, Beta '54), Webster Groves, Mo.; Virginia Coffman (sister of Cosette Coffman, Beta '55), Nancy Miller (sister of Stephany Miller, Beta '57) and Sharon Nulf, Ft. Wayne; Elizabeth Matthew, North Judson; Sue Schuler, Cincinnati, Ohio; Carol Collins, Terre Haute; Diana Creighton, New York, N.Y.; Joan Erickson, Connersville; Maureen Lahey and Linda Shields, Marion, and Ann Savage, Jasper.

First on the list of activities for the new pledge class was the annual open house when our pledges were presented to all the fraternities on campus.

Thetas accepting invitations to affiliate with national honoraries are: Janet Thomas, Pi Lambda Theta, national education honorary; Barbara Clark, Phi Sigma Iota, national language honorary and Carol Capel, Theta Sigma Phi, national journalism honorary. We are also very proud of Rosemary Dwyer and Shirley Sermersheim, both seniors, and Carol Capel, junior, who completed last semester with a perfect 3.0 average.

Freshmen receiving invitations to join Alpha Lambda Delta, national scholastic honorary, are Lucinda Benzel, Joan Erickson, Maureen Lahey, Sharon Nulf and Jane Ransel.

Taking recent beauty honors for the I.U. Thetas have been Jennifer Byrne, Jane Luzadder and Jane Ransel. Jennifer was elected Sweetheart of Delta Chi and crowned queen of their winter formal. Representing I.U. in the "Miss Big Ten" beauty contest held at Michigan State was Jane Luzadder, who also reigned as I.U. Homecoming Queen. Jane Ransel was selected queen of the *Arbutus*, campus yearbook.

In February new officers for Beta chapter were installed by retiring president, Shirley Sermersheim, who handed the gavel to Diann Brickley. Other officers are Nancy Sprague, vice president; Dottie Gaskins, corresponding secretary; Susan Crissler, recording secretary; Kay Lewis, treasurer; Mary Fackler, scholarship chairman; Sally Branson, activities chairman; Sue Miller, rush chairman; Mary Sue Hambene, house manager and Billie Clingman, social chairman.

For the annual "Little 500" bicycle race the Thetas will join with the SAEs to cheer them on to victory. On the same weekend the Acacias will hold their ice cream social while Mammas and Papas pay their Theta daughters a visit to celebrate parent's weekend.

Special attractions on the social calendar are the Spring Sing when the Thetas team with the Betas; the DG and Theta square dance held on the DG front lawn with a bonafide caller and pioneer decorations, and of course the spring pledge dance.

Martha Hartzell

silhouette

Martha Holmes Longmire



Known professionally as Martha Holmes, the "stranger in our midst" will not remain a stranger long. Only a few months after moving to Kansas City from Dallas, Martha Holmes Longmire (Beta Sigma) made her debut here at a morning musicale, while several hundred women listeners were moved by her lovely voice. Martha is a talented soprano who made her Town Hall debut in New York in 1952, and has given many concerts since.

Much of Martha's time which was formerly given to music is now occupied by her year-old child, but she has sung six times with the Dallas symphony and has appeared with the Denver and Oklahoma City orchestras. A graduate of Southern Methodist University, she has been a student of Mme. Lotte Lehmann and John Charles Thomas. Alternating with Bidú Sayão in a role, she appeared in the opera of *L'Elisir d'Amore* in Denver.

Her Kansas City debut was made at a morning musicale of Mu Phi Epsilon, music sorority. The Kansas City papers lauded her "expressive lyric style" as she sang Chaussou's "Les Papillons," Debussy's "Green" and a deeply moving interpretation of Gianinni's "There Were Two Swans."

The Thetas of Kansas City have been particularly pleased to welcome Martha into their group and look forward to other opportunities that will give expression to her talent.

• Nancy Guppton Aitken

Kansas City Alumnae Chapter

IOWA

Beta Omicron

No letter.

IOWA STATE

Gamma Pi

Gamma Pi has two new active members, Janet Staab and Ann McCarthy, initiated February 13.

As campus honoraries selected new members this year, many Thetas were among the initiates. In home economics, Jeanne Hall and Elsa Schmidt were honored by Omicron Nu, scholastic organization, and Theo Ann DuBois and Becky Metcalf were chosen by Phi Upsilon Omicron, professional home economics honorary society. Becky was also selected by Theta Sigma Phi, journalism honorary group. Science major Kahla Roberts was honored in her division by selection into Lampos, women's science honorary.

In other fields, Sandy McFarland and Beth Holl have been initiated into Women's "I" fraternity, athletic honorary, and Lila Oderkirk was chosen for membership in Sigma Alpha Iota, music honorary.

Veishea, Iowa State's gala spring festival, is entirely student managed and requires many months of planning and preparation. So far, many Thetas have been given key positions in preparation for 1955 Veishea. "Stars Over Veishea," evening musical production of the big three-day event, has chosen Sandy McFarland, publicity chairman; Joyce Anderson, costume chairman, and Pam Kruegar and Noreen Connell, both costume scene chairmen. Ramona Gale has been named coordinator of national television publicity for all of Veishea. Open houses, a major part of Veishea, have individual chairmen for each division represented. Lila Oderkirk is in charge of activities open house and Carolyn Erickson heads modern language open house. Publicity for the Veishea parade, another important highlight of the festival, will be managed by chairman Becky Metcalf.

Sue Fitzsimmons

KANSAS

Kappa

Kappa chapter's fall semester was highlighted in December by a visit from Mrs. C. Edward Brandriff, Alumnae Secretary. A tea was given in her honor on the afternoon of December 9. She was also a guest of "Holiday Headlines," our annual fashion show sponsored to raise money for the Logopedics Institute. Bette Davis and Kay Weigand planned the style show, and Maria Griffith narrated it. At the end of Mrs. Brandriff's two-day visit, we all drove her to the station and serenaded her as the train pulled away.

Betty Lu Gard, president of the KU Associated Women Students and also of the national organization, will preside over the National Intercollegiate AWS Convention, held in Lawrence for the first time in its 30-year history. College AWS members from all over the nation are expected to participate in the convention of which Nancy Darnell and Maria Griffith are steering committee members. Barbara Anderson was chairman of the AWS All Women's Day in February.

Bette Davis was chosen from ten finalists to reign

as Homecoming Queen at the KU-Nebraska football game. She was presented a gold football and bouquet of red roses by the former governor of Kansas, Edward F. Arn, and Chancellor Franklin D. Murphy. You can just about guess that all the Thetas attended the game that day! Jane Henry was chosen to be one of the two attendants to the Military Ball Queen at the ROTC Military Ball.

Our team copped the honors in winning the hill championship in girls' basketball. To celebrate, Mother Rose served a special dinner including steaks and a cake baked and decorated in the shape of a basketball to the girls on the team. Phyllis Springer, Ruth Ann Robertson, Carol Cook, Mary Kay Woodward, and Jane Heyle made the girls' All Star university basketball team.

Our Thanksgiving dinner featured the Rev. Dale Turner, pastor of the Lawrence Congregational Church, as guest speaker. Dr. Franklin Nelich, Professor of English, spoke to us at a dinner during Religious Emphasis Week.

Boys on our campus whose mothers or sisters are Thetas were invited to our Theta Brother and Son banquet in November. Approximately 40 boys attended to widen the range of our big Theta family. Another November dinner was an exchange dinner with the Theta Chi fraternity.

We heralded the start of the Christmas season by entertaining our dates informally at a tree trimming party, complete with carmel popcorn balls, candied apples, and Christmas candy. Our semi-formal entertainment, a dinner dance, was held a week later.

Our annual house Christmas dinner was held just before vacation began. Miss Martha Peterson, dean of women, and Miss Mary Peg Hardman, assistant dean of women, were guests for the formal dinner. Following the dinner, our yuletide mood was heightened by a caroling party with the Phi Kappa Psi fraternity.

After caroling, the pledge class entertained with a pageant of the Christmas story "The Little Donkey." The actives then held a gift exchange for the entire house, with each gift accompanied by an appropriately humorous verse.

In accordance with Kappa chapter tradition, the pledges completed Christmas projects for the Wichita Institute. The projects—dolls, scrap books, puppets, to name a few—were wrapped as Christmas presents and sent to our philanthropy. Also on our project list were slippers made of washcloths for the university YWCA fund-raising bazaar.

Joan Bennet, senior transfer from Alpha Upsilon chapter, affiliated with the chapter in January. Open house for freshman women was held in February to acquaint them with the Greek system.

Virginia Bartlett
Diana Rhodes

KENTUCKY

Gamma Iota

Gamma Iota reports a big fall. Twenty-two girls were pledged. They were: Alma Jo Coleman, Shirley French, Carol Gayhart, Betty Sue Gibson, Caren Glass,

Pat Graham, Harriet Hart, Sidney Hudson, Jean Jeffers, Loyd Featherston, Betsy Meyer, Skit Nelson, Shirley Park, Carol Payne, Carol Pfeiffer, Rowena Privett, Joan Slaughter, Mary Charles Stacy, Sue Stewart, Sandra Walte, Peggy Wiggins, Mary Ann Woodward. Lances Carnival is a major fall event. Margaret Ford was elected Queen of the Carnival. The next honor for Margaret and the chapter was the biggest of all—Homecoming Queen and winning second prize with house decorations. This was the second year straight that Gamma Iota has won both Homecoming Queen and house decorations.

Fall led into winter with teas, desserts, and serenades. Mrs. Hofstead, our Grand President, was here for State Day. Also on campus the chapter was well represented. Jo Ann Shelton was elected cheerleader. Vicky Shaver, our president, was tapped for Phi Beta Kappa. At Christmas time Clara Es-Stel Yates won "Miss Christmas Seal."

In January, Gamma Iota gave its annual dance. The theme was "pink elephants." It was a roaring success . . . so we think. Diane Hunt added more strikes for Theta when she was elected to the *Kentuckian* Court. The *Kentuckian* is the school's annual. However Diane had given even greater honors to us when she became "Miss Kentucky of 1954" this last summer and also last May as she reigned as May Day Queen.

Gamma Iota is looking forward to a big and profitable spring!

Unsigned

LAWRENCE

Alpha Psi

No letter.

MARYLAND

Gamma Mu

Reaching the end of a hectic fall semester, the Gamma Mus feel a real sense of accomplishment and progress. The selection of one of our pledges, Sandra Stack, for the female lead in University Theater's production of *Pygmalion* was one campus honor which thrilled us all. Our pride also extends to another pledge, Lee Small, who was a supporting player in the presentation.

Again this year the Thetas at Maryland donated enough blood to the annual Campus Chest Blood Drive to come out on top for sororities and to win, for the first time, a lovely gold trophy for our efforts. Sandra Sowder, a junior this year, received recognition for her outstanding work as business manager of the *Terrapin*, the university's yearbook, by the honor of membership in Pi Delta Epsilon, national journalism honorary. The Gamma Mus selected junior Eileen Brown for tapping by Diamond, campus women's honorary, to show appreciation for her devoted service to the chapter as treasurer.

On the social side, Gamma Mu chapter played hostess to her district president, Mrs. Blackburn, last month when she paid us her annual visit. Her worthwhile suggestions for chapter improvements were greatly appreciated, as was her lavish praise. We all feel that her stay was beneficial in renewing old

friendship and creating new. In this same light, a reception in our house on Fraternity Row for the Theta chapter at nearby George Washington University, after a competitive football game between the two schools, had similar results.

The many co-fraternity social events of the fall term were highlighted by our dessert with Alpha Tau Omega which rated a small write-up in the campus newspaper. Given at our house, the function was crowned with a take-off on the popular "This Is Your Life" television program. Chosen subject of our skit was the president of ATO's Maryland chapter. He expressed both amazement and delight at our elaborate exploration of his private life, extensive props, and at some of the personalities we produced.

A happy holiday season was initiated the Thursday before vacation with our yearly chapter Christmas party sponsored by the pledges. After name-drawing, inexpensive but appropriate gifts were labeled by poems supposedly disclosing the identity of the intended recipient. One of the most humorous and pleasing was presented to Jayne Rosenberger. (The pin she is wearing belongs to a Sigma Chi now in the submarine division of OCS.) Her gift was a miniature periscope which greatly resembled a real one. On hearing a voice in the hall chanting, "Up scope," we all know it is Jayne.

The last piece of news from Gamma Mu is of of special delight to me. Our newest and only pledge from informal rush, Elizabeth Mouzon, is my "little sister."

Mary Ann Allison

MASSACHUSETTS

Gamma Eta

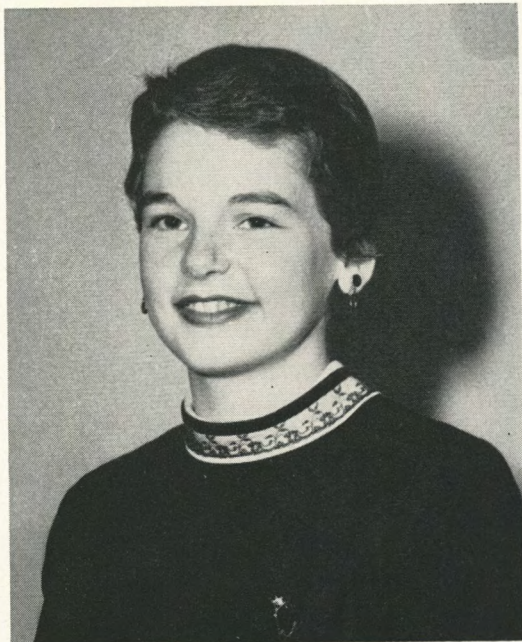
Gamma Eta's chapter house looked like Santa's workshop for weeks before the third annual Christmas party held for some of the underprivileged children of Amherst. The Massachusetts chapter of Lambda Chi Alpha cooperated with the Thetas in sponsoring this party by collecting and repairing old toys, books, and games. Upon arrival the children beheld a Christmas tree nearly buried in gifts. Ice cream, cookies, and cocoa added to their delight.

The Gamma Eta chapter was especially honored to have a sophomore member, Carol Buchanon, elected to the Queen's Court for Winter Carnival weekend in January.

Ten new freshman pledges received a happy welcome from the chapter members and have already become active in house functions. Particularly pleased is the songleader, Joan Kroemer, by the addition of several new and talented singers to her vocal group for the intersorority sing held in April. The new pledges are: Joyce Bond,* Elizabeth Brice (sister of Cynthia Brice '56), Barbara Ernest, Mary Jane Jackson, Betsy Jason, Katherine Kearns, Brenda Kelley, Deidre MacLeod, Patricia Mello, and Mary Pond (sister of Nancy Pond Hastings '54).

Members and alumnae as well as pledges enjoyed the annual pledge formal held February 26 at the Chateau Harmony in Granby, Mass.

The Theta seniors acted as hostesses for an all campus senior tea. They enjoyed one of their last oppor-



Carol Buchanon of Gamma Eta served as Princess in the Queen's Court of the Winter Carnival.

tunities to get together with their senior friends from other sororities.

The annual meeting of the Gamma Eta Alumnae, Inc. of Kappa Alpha Theta will be held on June 4 (Alumni Saturday) at 10:30 A.M. at the chapter house.

Mary Lou Couch

MCGILL

Beta Psi

Beta Psi is proud to announce its success in rushing this year. Our new members are Judy Beauman, Ruth Darling, Flavia Grant-Duff, Anne Johnson, Joan-Ley MacAsey, Jill Manson, Joan McQueen, Thea McQueen, Sheila Morris, Sue Moseley, Gere O'Connell, Rene Perrault, Jean Starrs, Judy Thomas, Jill Timmins and Judy Wallace. Our pledge party was held at the Cafe Anjou, and was followed by a party with the Alpha Delta and Psi Upsilon fraternities.

The new initiates took charge of the last meeting before Christmas. They served us dinner and entertained us with an ingenious skit. After the presents from the Mothers' Club were opened, we went out Christmas caroling. Then we had a party with the Nu Sigma Nu fraternity.

The following Saturday, we helped the Sigma Chis to entertain dozens of little bright-eyed boys and girls. It was a treat to hear their cries of enthusiasm as they watched the Walt Disney films. One of the Sigma Chis played Santa Claus, and gave each of them a present.

At our annual formal banquet, held on February 11 at the University Women's Club, Rose MacFarlane

was awarded the scholarship cup, and the pledge bracelet was presented to Jean Starrs, who obtained the highest marks in the pledge examinations. After the banquet, our formal party was held at the Cercle Universitaire.

Many of the girls are busy now getting ready for the McGill Winter Carnival. Anne Johnson, and Joan and Thea McQueen have been chosen as finalists for the Carnival Queen contest. They have been making appearances before classes, at the various residences, and on television.

Mrs. Muntz, our grand treasurer, gave us much helpful advice on her recent visit to Beta Psi. Now we are all looking forward to the District Convention in April.

Unsigned

MIAMI

Gamma Upsilon

Round and round the circle we go, and where we stop, only the actives know! And thus the Gamma Upsilon pledges learned the identity of their big sisters, who serenaded them with the rousing Theta spirit, and then presented to their "little sisses" miniature mugs stamped with the fraternity emblem. A snack party was held following the unveiling of big sisters.

Four Miami coeds went home for the Christmas holidays wearing their new Theta active pins which were received in an impressive initiation ceremony at the end of October. A dinner was held in their honor after the loyalty service and initiation. New actives

are: Kay Bilderback, Barbara Magnusson, Cornelia Miller and Joy Nogel.

Another highlight of the fall season of Gamma activity was Homecoming weekend. Collaborating with the Pi Beta Phis in decorating a float in the form of a piggy bank, Thetas took first place honors in the float contest. Barb Pfiffner and Bev Green acted as co-chairmen for Gamma Upsilon in the construction of the float which carried Pi Phi and Theta pledges, throwing gold coins to the stadium audience from a background of catchy slogans, such as: In M.U. We Trust and We Bank On M.U.

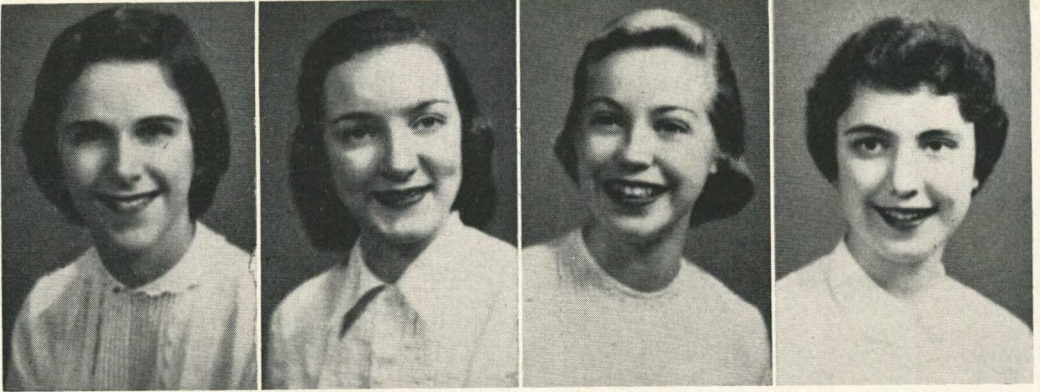
Representing the chapter on the executive committee of the Student Senate is Linda Baldwin, whose younger sister Diana was elected as president of the pledge class. Other pledge officers are: Anne Wiseheart, vice-president; Beverly Bieber, secretary-treasurer; Virginia Durman, Panhellenic representative; Margaret White, social chairman; and Sandy Sisson, activities chairman.

Three Thetas were selected for membership in Kappa Delta Pi, the national education honorary. New initiates are: Joan Moeller, Cherie Ballantyne and Miffie Shoemaker. The Miami Chest drive was well supported by Gamma Upsilon members this winter. Sharon Sutton, chapter president, acted as co-chairman of personnel and Joyce Bowling and Nancy Fess were team captains.

Pledges Nancy Olson and Nancy Lyons are now members of the House Council for Miami residence halls. Spanish honorary Zeta Delta Pi initiated active Carol Baker into membership.



Gamma Upsilon Thetas came to the annual Christmas party at Miami University, dressed in a lively assortment of costumes depicting the Yuletide season.



These are the Eta members of Scroll (senior honorary) at Michigan. Left to right: Marilyn Martin, president, Dawn Waldron (also a member of Wyvern, junior honorary), Margaret Blunt and Connie Hilton.

"Something tangible" is the description Carol Baker gave to the result she hoped to obtain in her personal project of investigating back into our chapter's history in old files of scrapbooks, letters and other data. Another ambitious Theta, Joyce Tyndahl, deserves special credit for her successful undertaking of introducing a new form of "study table" for the pledges. First semester grades have just been received and Gamma Upsilon is proud of the efforts of its scholarship chairman.

During the Christmas holiday season Polly Welsh reigned as queen of the annual Dayton-Miami dance. Cherie Ballantyne is our candidate for the Junior Prom; and Joyce Bowling, Linda Baldwin and Joanne Roehr were selected members of the inter-fraternity chorus for Mother's Day.

In addition to the many pledge-active parties that have been held this year, Gamma Upsilon members enjoyed a breakfast with the Delta Zetas, a party with the Pi Phi and a get-together with their dates in the suite before the Panhellenic formal. "This Is Your Life, Santa Claus" was the clever skit presented by the pledges for their active sisters at the annual Christmas party. Marianna Nogle made her debut as the jovial round man with the rosy cheeks.

An innovation in the social calendar of the chapter was "Theta Night," which was a full evening devoted to talking, bridge and singing.

Gamma Upsilon had as special guest at the Founders' Day banquet Mrs. Harold G. Edwards, District ten president. During her visit at Miami, Mrs. Edwards held individual conferences with all the chapter officers and attended both an active meeting and a pledge meeting. She held a discussion with the junior class of Thetas and met with the dean of women and the college president in order to further understanding between fraternity groups and university officials.

Nancy Fess

MICHIGAN

Eta

Chapter and campus activities have kept the Thetas

pretty busy through the winter here at the University of Michigan.

Eta chapter celebrated the seventy-fifth anniversary of its founding on December 10th. About fifty alumnae were able to make it through the icy snow from points all over Michigan to the banquet at the chapter house. A short history of the chapter, anecdotes of the past and present and Theta songs provided the entertainment.

On December 12th, we opened our house for our annual Christmas tea. Some 600 faculty members, students and friends dropped in to tour the house, which was decorated in Christmas finery.

The sophomores have been busy with the sophomore class project, Soph Scandals. This year the project took the form of a dance and floorshow. Five Thetas were on the central committee for the affair. Mary Lee Birmingham was general chairman; Mary Gronberg was floorshow chairman; Janet Fildew was costumes chairman, and Sharon Callahan and Mary Rupp were secretary and assistant secretary, respectively. Needless to say, the dance was a success.

Now that rehearsals have started for the Junior Girls' Play, the juniors are rarely seen around the house. The performances are scheduled for March 17, 18, and 19. A special performance will be given in Detroit on March 26. This play is written, acted and directed by members of the junior class. This year's play was written by Dawn Waldron, a Theta, who will also direct the show. It is a musical comedy entitled *Cock-a-boop*, which is an old English expression meaning to be in high spirits. It is the story of 14 young career girls down in their luck in New York City. Three Thetas, Janet Kahlenberg, Virginia Arbuckle and Paddy McBride, have leads in the show. Serving on the central committee with Dawn are Mary Streib as assistant Dance chairman and Joyce Judson as assistant publicity chairman.

It will not be long now till our 23 pledges will become active, with initiation taking place Feb. 26. We are looking forward to another initiation. Buses have been chartered for March 5 to take us up to Albion College where Pi chapter will be installed.

Helen Goetz

MICHIGAN STATE

Beta Pi

"Never a dull moment" could well have been the Beta Pi's theme this term as they busily buzzed in fraternity houses for their "Ugliest Man On Campus" candidate, staged a "Foreign Land" costume party and started making plans for the annual Spartacade spring term.

Honors were equally prevalent in the house as Jan Somers rode as "Miss Big Ten" in the Parade of Roses at Pasadena during New Year's Day and Jeanne Warrington was one of the finalists in the "Miss Michigan State" contest.

Jan and Jeanne also were selected as Honorary Colonels in the Army and Air Force respectively. Their duties include leading the military parades in the spring. Also Carolyn Lintz was chosen as one of the Army corps sponsors.

A member of both the Harvest Ball and Porpoise Queen courts was Maxine Neely. We all were quite proud, too, when "Sports Illustrated" magazine pictured two of our members—Connie Bintz and Jo Lassen—in a fashion preview of midwestern colleges.

Also during fall term, Beta Pis held rush teas, took part in the annual Turkey Trot sponsoring the Phi Deltas and held exchange desserts with the Phi Psis, SAEs, ATOs and Sigma Chis.

A new active during winter term was Barbara Carlson, La Grange, Ill., sophomore. Barb also was selected on MSC's first coed cheerleading squad during the '54 football season. Participating in the Block S program during the season was Jessie Fiesselmann who was in charge of instructions. Last term we also won first place in the sororities division of volleyball.

Winning the annual scholarship plaque given by Sororian, our founder group who went national into Theta, was Betty Timmerman. The presentation was made during Founders' Day in which all the alums were present.

Co-chairman of the 1955 J-Hop was Jeanne Joy and Carolyn Roth was co-chairman of the decorations committee. Also, Marilyn Todd was chairman of the transportation committee for the Miss Big Ten contest which was held during J-Hop weekend at MSC.

During winter term we also sponsored a Vesper Service with the Beta Theta Pis and held an exchange dessert with the Sigma Chis.

The weekend of March 5, we all took part in the installation of our new chapter at Albion College.

Especially happy are we to announce the pledging of the following 23 coeds during winter term. They are: Nikoline and Louise Brauner, Okemos; Kathy Arnold, Battle Creek; Joanne Becker, Detroit; Sunny Bogatinoff, Detroit; Lynn Campbell, Detroit; Martha Davidson, Pleasant Ridge; Marilyn Douma, Petoskey; Marcia Foley, Menominee; Sherla Jennings, Kalamazoo; Kris Kaestner, Dearborn; Marcia Kierlan, Rochester, Minn.; June Leeman, Manchester; Mary Lois MacDougall, Detroit and Annette Miller, Eaton Rapids.

Other new pledges include: Jan Morford, Saginaw; Gay Moyer, Belding; Polly Palen, Detroit; Edwina Panzer, Cincinnati, Ohio; Donna Reuling, East Lansing; Carol Steffee, South Bend, Ind.; Barbara

Timmerman, Evanston, Ill. and Anita Veeder, Fox Point, Wis.

Mary Alice Ritchlin

MINNESOTA

Upsilon

It seems that there never ceases to be an abundance of action where Upsilon Thetas are concerned. This season was certainly no exception. We devoted a great deal of time to Homecoming and our efforts were well rewarded. Results of competitive events revealed that the Theta chapter took second place in both the float contest and in Homecoming button sales.

Another happy announcement was that of Phyllis Kirk's achievement. She was recently named Sweetheart of Sigma Chi on the Minnesota campus.

Scholarship dinner included presentation of awards to those showing great improvement in grades. We were pleased to find that we had again raised our chapter scholarship average from the previous quarter.

We joined with the Kappas in a German Rathskeller party held at Columbia Chalet. German costumes and a German band combined to make a most colorful occasion.

Soon after this, family night was held at our own house. This annual buffet dinner is always anticipated with pleasure by both the girls and their families.

Informal rushing proved successful in our gain of four new girls: Roberta Carron, Edina; Joan Maney, Duluth; Gail Oltstatt, Breckinridge; and Barbara Rood, White Bear. These new pledges and those of the previous quarter combined talents in a pledge project which consisted of gifts and a Christmas party for an old ladies' home. This occasion proved to be very successful and much appreciated.

We enjoyed a visit from Mrs. Ganz, our District President, in December. Her discussions and suggestions were very fruitful.



Jeanne Warrington of Beta Pi chapter, Honorary Colonel of the Air Force, with Jerry Bergstrom, Cadet Colonel.

Our annual mothers' Christmas party is always fun. Each mother brought a small gift and each girl chose one from under the tree. Everyone was quite satisfied with the result.

We're proud of Barbara Barton who was elected activities chairman of Panhellenic and of Judy Dotson, who was elected best pledge in her class. Betty Butler Thomson became a member of Sigma Epsilon Sigma, honorary scholastic fraternity for sophomore women, and Barbara Skaug was elected to Omicron Nu, home economics honor society.

January brought with it initiation of the following girls: Barbara Barton, Mary Carroll, Roberta Carron, Judy Dotson, Margot Dow, Joan Maney, Sue Michaelson, Gail Oltstatt, Judy Schlick, Mary Lucy Shillington, Phoebe Smith, Diane Sterner, Judy Villume and Ginny Volk.

We collaborated with the Alpha Phis in a traditional snow party. Many took advantage of the Minnesota winter by skiing and tobogganing in the afternoon and later we all met at the White Pine Inn for a very enjoyable party.

We regret very much the loss of Mrs. Lillian Markham, our housemother for 11 years, who is leaving to be married to Mr. George Kuhl of Bellingham, Wash. The Twin City alumnae and the Mothers' Club held a tea at the chapter house in her honor at which she was awarded the Pansy Pin known to be quite an honor, bestowed upon those outstanding as housemothers. Mrs. Perkins, alumnae advisor, presented Mrs. Markham with a lovely silver tray, a gift from the two groups, and read a poem written by State Senator Donald Frazer, husband of a Theta alum. The very fact that he wrote the poem indicates that the husbands, too, appreciate all that Mrs. Markham has done. We wish her much joy and happiness in the years to come. We are now enjoying Mrs. Muriel Shores of Stillwater, who is our new housemother and has taken over the job commendably.

We're busy now practicing a song for the fest competition which is part of Greek Week on this campus. We are joining with Psi Upsilon in an effort to take honors in this annual affair. This year the profits will go to Radio Free Europe which we feel is a very worthy cause.

Cynthia Elwell

MISSOURI

Alpha Mu

The "impossible" happened at Missouri University this fall, and as a result, not one, but four Thetas were selected from more than 120 candidates to reign over Homecoming festivities. Queen Barbara Cotton and her two princesses, Joan Pollock and Linda Kassebaum made television appearances in Columbia, St. Louis and Kansas City. Homecoming weekend was made even more festive by the presence of more than 50 house guests including about 35 Thetas from Kansas University.

December proved to be an especially busy and spirited month with the holiday season opening December 4 with our Christmas formal, "Silver Swirl." Our Theta Santa Claus, Mrs. John Bedford, returned

for the eighteenth year to distribute gifts at the annual chapter party. This year the gifts were sent to the Institute of Logopedics. We again joined the Kappas to give a needy family a Christmas party, and to make the season complete, we braved the cold to sing carols to the fraternities and men's dormitories.

Due to enthusiasm and hard work in campus activities, many Thetas have been chosen for executive and honorary positions this year. Phyllis McDandel and Carol Sutton will be listed in *Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges*, and Nancy Walsworth is state historian for the Missouri FTA. The members of the Student Nurses' Association chose Larkie Craigmiles vice-president, and Donna Wright was elected captain of the basketball cheerleaders. In AWS, Polly Meads was named chairman of the AWS Fashion Show while Carol Sutton was selected chairman of Careers Conference. Carol was also chosen for Kappa Tau Alpha, a national journalism honorary.

The *Savitar*, Missouri University's yearbook, claims Mary Miche as division editor and Janet Francis as a staff member while Judy Jenkins is a reporter on the newly organized campus newspaper. Peg Price, Jo Anne Tierney, Skippy Burch and Joyce Dumont were named as members of the varsity swimming team. Edwyna Condon succeeds Bonnie Lovrenic as treasurer of Johnston Hall, the freshman women's dormitory, and Ruth Leinberger was elected social chairman. Freshman representative to AWS judiciary board is Sandy Meyer. At the present time, our major activity is working on our "Savitar Frolics" skit. We were one of the four sororities chosen to enter the campus



Phyllis Kirk was named Sweetheart of Sigma Chi at Minnesota.

stage production. An important activity of the pledge class has been making toys for the Negro Nursery here in Columbia.

This has proved to be a royal year as well as a busy one for Alpha Mu Thetas. Bonnie Lovrenic was chosen Forestry Club Queen, and Janie Immerthal is a candidate for *Savitar* Queen. Aggies chose Phyllis Proctor as a finalist for Barnwarming Queen, and Carolyn Liley was a member of the Lambda Chi Crescent Queen court. Members of Delta Tau Delta selected Nancy Walsworth and Connie Coe as candidates for Delt Orchid Queen. Missouri Sigma Chis named Patty McKee as their nominee for national Sweetheart of Sigma Chi, and Marilyn Pate is Mizzou KA's choice for national "Kappa Alpha Rose." To round off the royalty list, six Thetas have been named by fraternities to represent them for Inter-Fraternity Council Queen. Donna Wright was selected by Kappa Sigma; Mary Lessig, Phi Kappa Psi; Bonnie Lovrenic, Alpha Sigma Phi; Janet Wilson, Lambda Chi Alpha; Phyllis Proctor, Kappa Alpha and Connie Coe, Delta Tau Delta.

This year's pledge class has been strengthened by the addition of Elizabeth Van den Berg of Webster Groves. Elizabeth served as president of the freshman women's dormitory last semester.

Pat Price



Alpha Mu scored a grand slam during Homecoming with Queen Barbara Cotton (center) and Princesses Joan Pollock (left) and Linda Kassebaum (right). Another Theta, Janie Immerthal, was chosen attendant to the Queen.

MONTANA

Alpha Nu

Marilyn Shope was crowned Homecoming Queen this fall! Marilyn, Cheer Queen of the cheerleading squad, is also a member of ALD and Sponsor Corps. As a child she had a part in the 1938 Homecoming coronation, carrying the crown for Margaret Love, Miles City, also a Theta candidate, at that time.

But the big news this year was our pledge class. Betty Lee Means, as rush chairman, guided the Alpha Nus in selecting: Molly McCullough, Joan Rae McFarland, (sister of Estelle and Billy Ann) both of Missoula; Patsy Bender, Butte; Cynthia Boyd, Pat Schaeffer and Thet Williams, all of Billings; Portia Breitenstein, Plains; Ruth Ann Christensen and Kay Lund of Reserve; Cherie Fey, Shelby; Sandra Fisk, Seattle; Marjorie Fulmore, Anaconda; Charlotte Fraser, Simms; Carol Hagfeldt and Jean Peterson (sister of Helen) both of Great Falls; Jane Walsh, Olympia, Wash.; Mary Travis (sister of Susan) Havre; Juanita Huffman, Sidney; and Sheila Lacy, Whitefish. During winter rush Corrine Cone, Plains; Mikel Peck, Baker; Sandra Stodheim, Helena, and Carol Lee, Hamilton, were pledged.

A winner in the general election of frosh class officers was Sandra Fisk, treasurer. She was also awarded the jeweled pin by the Mothers' Club as the pledge with the highest grade average fall quarter. Sandra was selected as a member of ROTC Sponsor Corps, along with Thea Williams, Molly McCullough, Joan McFarland, and Patsy Bender. Sponsor Corps officers elected this fall were Jo Ann La Duke, secretary, and Joan Hoff, publicity chairman.

Pat Schaeffer, song leader of the pledge class, is a member of the freshman women's sextet. Twirling

with the university majorettes are Cherie Fey, Patsy Bender, and Portia Breitenstein. Georgie Coppedge is head twirler this year.

NEWS FLASH. . . Thetas at MSU received top honors in grades fall quarter by maintaining just a fraction below a B average. "Tutored" by Gayle Gibbons, scholarship chairman, Alpha Nu achieved the enviable position over all other campus groups after five quarters of second rate position.

Guests invited to the "Smarty Party" by Mortar Board in recognition of their ranking in the top 10% of their class were: Corrine Cone, Sandra Fisk, freshmen; Joan Hoff, Donna Kaye Bailey, Carol Lee, Barbara Tascher, Natalie Norby, sophomores; and Jo Ann La Duke, junior.

A new twist was added to Founders' Day this year. A dessert was held at the house to which all of the Missoula alumnae were invited. Roses were presented to Mrs. Helen Gillespie, for her outstanding work for Alpha Nu; to Arlene Hoiland, and Janet Bailey, as seniors with the highest grade average. Jo Ann La Duke, junior; Joan Hoff, Sophomore; and Sandra Fisk, freshman, also received roses in recognition of their grades.

District Convention will be at Glacier Park this year, June 12 to 14. It would be nice if a lot of MSU alumnae could attend, especially since Alpha Nu will be the hostess chapter.

A big surprise awaits any visitor to 1020 Gerald this year. Several of the bedrooms have taken on new hues . . . ranging through the pastels. Though none of the occupants claimed special artistic talents, they found little ability required to swing the brushes. The

color schemes are all "originals" by the turpentine-soaked roomers!

Mrs. Hazel Beil, our District President, paid us her annual visit in December. While she was here, each girl holding a house office had an informal interview with her.

At present, a big campaign to elect our candidate for Mardi Gras Queen, Carol Crippen, is being conducted. Posters, publicity stunts, and the like are planned to swing the campus male vote.

Jo Ann La Duke

NEBRASKA

Rho

In the flurry of exams and changing rooms that follows the end of the first semester, Rho Thetas were looking forward eagerly to our formal, the Black Kat Kabaret, February 19.

We looked back over our pre-Christmas activities, Christmas vacation and two hectic weeks of examinations, and found we had been a bustling lot. We sponsored a Christmas party for underprivileged children with the Delta Upsilon and another Christmas party for the children of alums. Our seasonal gaiety included decorating the house and a Christmas party which climaxed Good Fairy Week. For one week, girls exchanged inexpensive joke presents with their unknown good fairies. At our Christmas party, the good fairies were revealed and, instead of giving Christmas presents to sorority daughters and roommates, we each contributed \$5 to the house to build a sundeck. Rho Thetas are looking forward to warm weather and tans on our new sundeck.

Last semester's grades have not been received yet, but the pledges seem to have made their grades. We are looking forward to initiating all of the pledge class for the second year. Initiation is scheduled for March 19.

Inxie Swerre has been elected secretary of University of Nebraska Builders, and is also a finalist for Typical Nebraska Coed. Marilyn Miner and Gretchen Teal are our candidates for Beauty Queen, and Mary Huston and Marilyn Miner are candidates for Sweetheart of Sigma Chi.

We elected our new officers, Monday, February 14. They will be revealed at our initiation banquet, March 19. Rho is buckling down to a new semester of books and study and "new leaves."

Barbara Flanagan

NEVADA

Beta Mu

The Beta Mu girls are really smiling these days and it isn't any wonder because our year has been wonderful. We started off with a bang by winning the sorority float prize in the Homecoming celebration. It was a giant rocking horse stuffed in red, white and black. Our triplets, Joan, June and Jean Garner rode on it wearing little girl dresses and chewing on all day suckers.

After we came back from Christmas vacation, we welcomed our new house mother. Her name is Mrs. Nellie Corle and we are all happy and proud to have her with us.

We are thrilled to announce that we now have 19 new actives. They were initiated on February 6th. They are Judy Adams, Barbara Allison, Janat Barton, Pat Bertrand, Shelly Branch, Barbara Cavanaugh (legacy), Peggy Cimiotti, Jean, Joan and June Garner, Maria McDonough, Mary Lee Metzker, Joan Smith of Reno; Sharon Johnson, Carson City; Rachel Sheppard, Sparks; Marjorie Mead, Gardnerville, Calif.; Pat Meares, Riverside, Calif.; Katherine Warner, Susanville, Calif.; Bonnie Woods, Carlin, Nevada. After the initiation ceremony the new initiates were honored by their big sisters at a dinner held at the Santa Fe Restaraunt.

The following night, February 7, we held our Founders' Day banquet at the Hotel El Cortez. We were honored to witness the presentation of a gold certificate to Mrs. Wilbur Clark for fifty years of loyal and devoted service to Kappa Alpha Theta. The certificate states that she now has a gold link in the chain.

The Garner triplets, Joan, June and Jean, are all a sparkling over the article in the *American Magazine* in the February issue. They are featured in the "Coeds of the Month." It is a tribute to their lively personalities and their stunning looks.

The university's sixteenth annual Winter Carnival is nearly here. There will be outdoor decorations as last year. We are having a giant snowball with a big window in it. In the window will be a snowman that will bow to the spectators and tip his hat.

Spring rushing begins soon and with that we are all looking forward to a glorious spring semester.

Sheila Taylor

NEWCOMB

Alpha Phi

There has been a great deal of activity around the Alpha Phi chapter house lately. We have been busily making decorations for our Black and Gold formal in March and starting to practice for the big competitive event of the year on the campus, Skit Night. The pledges have been particularly active as they are also working on their pledge project of remodeling the basement of our new house. These activities were temporarily interrupted several days ago by a very charming visitor from Beta Zeta—DeLois Faulkner, the newly chosen Maid of Cotton.

The recent elections of the Newcomb Spanish and French clubs show Theta way out ahead in the language department. Sylvia Bledsoe is the new president of La Tertula and Gail Price, Yvonne Arnoult, and Yvonne Nassar hold the respective offices of president, vice-president, and secretary-treasurer in Le Circle Française. In the Resident Student Government Association, Marilyn Milliken was elected to succeed Ruth Hendricks as president of the association. On the social side, Jane Dezendorf and Yvonne Nassar gave Theta an excellent representation in the AFROTC court. Bart Bridges was a credit to her pledge class in being chosen Maid of Honor, in the *Urchin* pledge beauty court.

Our Mothers' Club has truly been treating our chapter royally this year. Thus far they have given

us numerous dinners and a Christmas party on December 11. Our last dinner on the seventh of February was a particularly successful one. It was a tremendous turkey dinner with all the trimmings.

A number of other parties have been held at the Theta house this year, other than the ones given by the Mothers' Club. Outstanding among these were the "Katsup" party, given annually by the pledges for the actives, and the party which we gave for the Kappa Sigs.

On the second of February our Founders' Day banquet was held at the New Orleans Country Club. The alumnae, actives, and pledges competed in skit competition . . . the pledges with their rendition of "Rush Week." Mary Gail Coutret was presented a gold bracelet as "Outstanding Pledge of '54." The evening was very much enjoyed by all who attended.

The Alpha Phis are proud to announce their new actives. Bette Hill, Sally Osborn, and Phyllis Ward were initiated during the latter part of October.

Of interest to the alumnae of Alpha Phi is the future meeting of the house corporation on October 12, at which time new officers will be elected.

Marion Watson

NEW MEXICO

Gamma Omicron

The past few months have brought many individual honors to the members of the Gamma Omicron chapter. Maryln Thomas was chosen to be the 1955 Pike Dream Girl and also an attendant to the Varsity Queen at the Letterman's dance. Shirley Wall was crowned the queen of the NROTC at the Military Ball. Dawn Peterson had the leading role at Rodey Theatre in "*The Enchanted*." Jeanna Mattingly became a member of Phi Gamma Nu, a national professional sorority.

On February 20 we initiated the following 16 girls into Gamma Omicron. Thalia Armstrong, Carlsbad; Kay Bennett, Kansas City, Mo.; Kathleen Burke, Judy Christopher, Dot Julian, Louise Korn, Nancy Kyle, Sonja Laval, Janet Mayland and Harvey Jean Peterson all of Albuquerque; Nancy Cotton, Ukiah, Calif.; Margaret Markus and Mary Lee Quirk of San Antonio, Tex.; Holly Merki, Chicago, Ill.; Peggy Mitchell, Eureka, Nev.; and Kay Snare of Hereford, Texas.

We held our Christmas formal in the Greer Room of the Hilton Hotel in December. The pledges did a great job of decorating the room with a huge snowman and an old-fashioned street lamp. It was named the Snow Ball.

We have been busy also with service projects. Before Christmas we caroled at the hospitals and packed up a food basket. In January we gave a dessert party at the Cerebral Palsy school. In February we solicited in town for the Heart Fund.

The University adopted a new form of informal rush for semesters, so as yet we have not had the "bid" day. We have had two dessert parties and have great expectations for another good pledge class.

Jinny Ray



Left: Marilyn Thomas of Gamma Omicron chapter was the Pike Dream Girl, and also chosen to be an attendant to the Varsity Queen at the Letterman's Dance.

Right: Shirley Wall was crowned the NROTC Queen at the Military Ball in January.

NORTH DAKOTA

Alpha Pi

Homecoming found the Alpha Pis of Kappa Alpha Theta with a Homecoming attendant in their midst. Kitty O'Keefe, our chapter president, was elected by the student body to this honor. Our float for the parade bearing the theme "Cool the Bison" received honorable mention. After the football game parents and alums were entertained at a buffet supper at the chapter house.

In October, initiation was held for three girls. New actives are Margie Carr, Joanne Buan and Marcia Rohde. They are all from Grand Forks.

Honors were also brought to Marilyn Meyer and Peggy Arnold. Marilyn was one of the finalists for Honorary Cadet Colonel and Peggy was one of the finalists for the Sweetheart of Sigma Chi.

In October Kitty O'Keefe, editor of the *Dacotah* annual, and other editors of student publications went to Washington, D.C. to attend the Associated Collegiate Press convention.

Late in the football season posters came out announcing the Gam-Bowl with the "Timid Tekes" clashing against the "Thundering Thetas." This is an annual affair between our Theta chapter and the men of Tau Kappa Epsilon. Strange as it may seem we hold a record of 4 wins against 0 losses. Of course the rules have been modified slightly like the boys having their feet hobbled, so as to take only 12 inch steps. The game was held in Memorial stadium, for the benefit of crippled children. JoAnn Mason and Bob Solazze coached the event.

New girls pledged later in the semester are: Ellen Ebert, Grafton; Gail Jahnke, Amenias; Pat Morse, Webster; Shirley Hensrud, Mekinock; Shirley Bruhn, Valley City; Mary Ann Borchert, Thief River Falls, Minnesota; Barbara Johnson, Fosston, Minnesota; Theresa Vassler, Sioux Falls, South Dakota; and Essie McCreery, Winnipeg, Manitoba. All twenty of our pledges made their average and will be going active this spring.

Girls pledged so far this semester are: Clarice Pals,

Valley City and Marilyn Newman, Ellendale.

In November Thetas entertained their dates at our Western Party. The pledges had decorated the recreation room with brightly painted horses and other western scenery. Before Christmas vacation we had our annual chapter party. The bus boys ate with active members while pledges served and did dishes. They also provided entertainment. Essie McCreery acted as Santa Claus and distributed gifts.

At a general band meeting Dorothy Smith was named social chairman for the rest of the year. Donna Strom was elected secretary of Womens' League Board. Donna is also the new pledge trainer for Pi Omega Pi, honorary for business education majors. Two Thetas, Ardyth Archer and Clarice Pals, received national rating in volleyball officiating. The test was given by the Red River Valley Officiating Board.

February 5, alumnae and collegiate members celebrated Founders' Day with a luncheon at the Ryan Hotel. Dean of Women, Dorothy J. Lipp, was guest speaker. Entertainment was provided by the pledge class. Pat Morse presented a tap dance and Gail Jahnke sang a solo. Both were accompanied by Ellen Ebert. Dr. Margaret Beede also presented Gail with an award for having the highest pledge average.

Dorothy Smith

NORTH DAKOTA STATE

Gamma Nu

We have welcomed three new pledges to our group. They are Caroline Sline, Arlene Hedahl, and Mavis Nash. Our pledge class now stands at seventeen.

Our chapter led all other campus sororities in contributions to the March of Dime drive. And of this we are humbly proud.

We are working with the Sigma Chi fraternity, and in April we shall present our Bison Brevities act entitled, "Isle of Dreams."

The girls of Gamma Nu chapter were found working on "Joan of Arc" (our snow sculpture) in bitter cold weather.

Darlene Trottier is our candidate for "Sweetheart of Sigma Chi."

Following the custom, we have entered our candidate for Ugly Man on Campus. The proceeds of this contest will go to Crippled Children's Home.

Carol Joyce Roehrich

NORTHWESTERN

Tau

After such a long silence from Tau chapter (for which we sincerely apologize) here's the "News from Northwestern" since the beginning of fall quarter. . .

When our successful rush season was finished, after having been captained expertly by Marcia Motley and Elise Deister, Tau chapter enthusiastically welcomed a first-rate pledge class into its midst. The 31 new pledges were: Carmen Alden, Pasadena, Calif.; Margo Chappellet, Atlanta, Ga.; Betty Cherry, Tomahawk, Wis.; Jinee Coath and Bonnie Ellis, River Forest; Ann Curtis, Highland Park; Suzanne Lunsford, Winnetka; Lettie McCord and Leah Moone, Chicago; Carol Combs and Ruth Young, Omaha, Neb.; Joan

Dryden, Grosse Pointe, Mich.; Perry Kay Edwards, Lima, Ohio.; Sherley Fekety, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Sheila Gardner, Milwaukee, Wis.; Janet Goan, Wauwatosa, Wis.; Lynn Hammesfahr, Darien, Conn.; Caroline Hogue, Bryan, Ohio; Carolyn Johnson, Delphi, Ind.; Linda Jones, South Bend, Ind.; Evonne Knapp, Three Rivers, Mich.; Gail Lamborn, Congress, N.Y.; Margo Mapes, Munster, Ind.; Natalie Martin and Susie Noble, Fort Wayne, Ind.; Jean McQuown, Sandwich, Ill.; Roberta Metcalf, Crown Point, Ind.; Weezie Moser, Glenview; Nancy Oothout, Des Moines, Iowa; Sue Shoenberg, Detroit, Mich., and Ann Wessner, Huntington, Ind.

The pledge class elected Susie Noble as their president. Under her leadership, the pledges entered into the Theta swing of things immediately. They sponsored a successful open house after one of the football games. Some of the pledges got together and formed an almost professional close-harmony singing group, "The Bluenotes." On January 29th, they transformed the house into the setting for a "suppressed desire" party at which the actives and their dates were entertained.

"Man on Two!" was a familiar call in the Theta house on October 16 as Theta Dads took over the second floor for the annual Fathers' Weekend. Fathers visiting Tau for the first time engaged in a solemn "pledge and promise" ceremony, during which they were made new members of the "Loyal Order of KATs" after promising to contribute a black and gold convertible to the chapter. We have no convertible, of course, but our dads are still our best beaus.

The end of October found us rushing madly around, hanging ropes and pulleys from third floor windows, and nursing broken fingernails after weeks of stuffing paper napkins into miles of chicken wire. We nervously awaited the judges' decision on our Homecoming house decoration. Needless to say, the thrill of winning the first place trophy was more than compensation for our struggles with "Willie the Wildcat" and his sailboat in our decoration "Sail On, Wildcats!"

Our fall formal at the Mount Prospect Country Club found Thetas and their dates enjoying dancing and the entertainment of our own "Bluenotes."

We were so proud of Lettie McCord when she was voted one of two attendants to the Military Ball Queen at the Air Force—Naval R.O.T.C. dance in November. Lettie, who pledged Theta this fall after transferring from Connecticut College for Women, is now majoring in music composition at Northwestern. As enthusiastic as she is lovely, she organized the pledges' "Bluenotes" and will hold the office of chapter song leader.

By the first of December everyone on campus was thinking of quarter exams, but Thetas couldn't forget the Christmas spirit. One Sunday afternoon sixty foreign students from the Evanston and Chicago campuses crowded into Tau's living room for refreshments and entertainment. Eventually the guests shook off their shyness and became the performers, singing their native songs and giving monologues. Time really flew by, and long after the party was scheduled to end, students from the Near East to Europe, from

Canada to South America were standing around the piano with the Thetas singing Christmas carols.

Heading the list of our newly-elected officers are: Barbara Walker, president; Karen McKie, pledge trainer; Marilyn Hansen, recording secretary; Marcia Motley, house president; with Ann Goodwin and Lynn Catterton as co-rush chairman. The new officers were installed February 7 and will hold office until February of next year.

With thanks to last year's president, Mary Clingman, and to the other out-going officers for their interest and accomplishments, the new officers hope to follow their example of faithful leadership.

Newly initiated into Zeta Phi Eta, an honorary speech school fraternity, are Sandy Crownenwett and Gail Johnson, both sophmores. The fraternity elects new members on the basis of scholarship, activities and character. Also a new pledge of an honorary, Mary Patterson, a junior, was elected to Sigma Alpha Iota, music fraternity.

The biggest day of the year, as far as actives and pledges were concerned, was Sunday, February 6. That morning, the pledges became Tau chapter's new initiates. Wearing their new kites proudly, the initiates joined the actives at an elaborate banquet, for which our house mother, Mrs. Wilson, deserves special praise and thanks. The highlight of the evening's program was a speech given by Mrs. Edward Brandriff of Hinsdale, who is Grand Alumnae Secretary. Mrs. Brandriff told us of her travels to Theta chapters in the Northwest United States and Canada, and of the many accomplishments of Thetas everywhere. She made us realize once again what a wonderful thing it is to be a link in such a worthwhile chain.

Carol Combs
Sue Davies

OHIO STATE

Alpha Gamma

The middle of the fall quarter found the Alpha Gamma chapter busy with our fall formal, initiation, the Columbus Panhellenic Banquet and our annual pin service tea.

On November 17 we held our fall dance honoring our 32 new pledges. This was held at the Hotel Southern and was a very successful affair. Preceding this, we initiated nine girls into the active chapter. These included Dinah Davis, Nancy Davis, Liz Bissell, Judy Jones, Ann Macy, Penny Rollins and Joan Temple.

Then in December the pledge and active chapters attended the Columbus Panhellenic banquet at the Ohio Union. This is an annual affair and centered around scholarship of the Panhellenic groups on the Ohio State campus. Jan Schwartz, a junior majoring in secondary education, received the award for the highest accumulative point hour of all the sorority members at the university. As a chapter we were fifth and the pledges ranked second.

Later in the month we held our pin service tea, honoring all those girls who have done much for the chapter. The girls who are chosen are given Theta pins to wear that are in the memory of some one who was once a member of the Alpha Gamma chapter. Mary

Weaver was awarded the scholarship pin, Kay Mortar the pin for the outstanding Theta, Connie Mettler the senior creative pin, Mary Taylor, junior personality and LaWanda Mockbee, activities.

By this time the quarter was drawing to a close and we turned our attention to final exams. After two weeks of rest and relaxation, we came back and discovered that our pledges had been first on the campus in scholarship for the fall quarter, following this good news, we were very honored to have Mrs. Hofstead, our Grand President, visit us for a few days. She closed her stay in District Ten by speaking at our Founders' Day banquet, which was held jointly with the Dennison and Wesleyan chapters at the Columbus Country Club.

For the second consecutive year our pledges won first prize for the interpledge class skit contest. This was held as a part of the festivities for the Pledge Princess Prom. Gretchen Heil was our representative in this contest and was one of the finalists and on the queen's court. And a second award was gained when Jo Davis, another pledge, won first place in the freshman talent show through her piano playing.

On February 11 we climaxed another Help Week by initiating four more new actives. These are: Peggy Ames, Nancy Dunn, Charlotte Kerr and Jane MacNealy.

And just recently we elected the new officers for the forthcoming year. The new president is Nancy Lou Smith; vice-president, Mary Taylor; recording secretary, Kay Kelsik; corresponding secretary, Joan Mercer; Panhellenic representative, Sharon Moloney; treasurer, Maggie Rothacker; house president, Jan Schwartz and chaplain, LaWanda Mockbee.

So with these past activities and Greek Week and the Kappa-Theta formal coming up, we here at Ohio State can say that this year has been a full and rewarding one.

Joan Mercer

OHIO WESLEYAN

Gamma deuteron

No letter.

OKLAHOMA

Alpha Omicron

No letter.

OKLAHOMA A & M

Beta Zeta

Beta Zeta members recently ate beans while the pledges sitting beside them enjoyed a chicken dinner. This situation was the result of a contest between the pledge class and members to see who could make the best grades, a chicken dinner being the prize. The pledges had an overall three point while the members finished with a 2.98.

Members Rae Crownover and Sue Nelson made a 4.0 this semester. Members eligible for Orange and Black Quill, honorary scholastic organization for sophomores, are Rae Crownover, Sue Nelson, Pat Clarke, Lois Larrabee, Barbara Autry, Janet Hilton, Vonda Bivert and Vivian Ramsey. Pledges Judy Cromwell, Beth Fisher, Betty Ludeman, Sandra Price,

silhouette

Cay Conner



Cay Conner

When Beta Kappa's Cay Conner was named Miss Drake of 1954, last March, she said, "I'm speechless for a change," although the Quax Beauty queen honor was only one of several which Cay received during her first two years at Drake.

In her freshman year, Cay was named Rose (the Drake chapter) of Delta Sigma Pi, national commerce fraternity and won second place in the fraternity's national contest. Also during her freshman year, Cay was a semi-finalist in the Quax beauty contest. She was an attendant to the Homecoming Queen in her sophomore year. In the spring of that year, the

Drake ROTC cadets presented her as their Honorary Cadet Major, at the annual military ball. Later that year, she became their Honorary Cadet Colonel.

Now a junior, Cay is majoring in art and minoring in retailing and advertising. The old axiom that a girl is either smart or beautiful has been disproved by Cay, who has maintained a "B" average so far in college, and is obviously beautiful. A member of Phi Mu Gamma, national professional art fraternity, Cay serves as their pledge trainer. She has also been Beta Kappa's very capable rush chairman this year.

Her art ability makes Cay a valuable member of the Student Faculty Council's promotions committee. The living room of her Des Moines home often looks like an art studio, because the committee keeps her busy making publicity posters.

Because she lives at home while going to school, Cay goes away to work in the summer. During the past two summers she has worked at Yellowstone Park as a waitress. Having never seen a mountain before "that first summer in the park," Cay became avidly interested in mountain climbing. She went to mountain climbing school in Grand Teton national park, and plans to return to the Tetons this summer to work and to climb the 13,766 foot Grand Teton mountain.

Cay is now nervously awaiting the outcome of the 1955 Quax beauty contest, hoping that it will be another Theta who will take over her Miss Drake title.

• Louise Shriver

Beta Kappa Chapter

Phyllis Bradbury, Tony Dryden and Ann Osborn will become members of Orange Quill, the freshman organization.

February has been busy for Beta Zeta chapter. In honor of its founding 35 years ago, a banquet was held the first Saturday of the month. A bronze plaque was presented to the chapter in honor of its founders. The next Saturday we attended the annual Founders' Day banquet in Oklahoma City. February 21, the officers of the chapter will meet with the advisory board for an officers' workshop. Each officer will present a tentative schedule of duties for her office. A question and answer period will follow.

Newly-elected officers include Edwina Harrison, president; Meme Cromwell, vice-president; Gayle Rogers, corresponding secretary; Barbara Autry, house manager; Eloise Asfahl, treasurer and Sandra Chiles, rush chairman.

A variety of social events in store for us this semester with our new social chairman, Dorothy

Robinson, making the plans. On the agenda for this month is a Greek party to be held at the chapter house. Other events on the social calendar include the Twin Star formal April 1, and the annual Spring picnic May 1.

In March, Beta Zeta will initiate 28 pledges. Wearing their new Theta pins will be Judy Cromwell, Betty Crandall, Jackie Lindsay, Ann Whitten, Janet Palmer, Connie Sue Williamson, Sue Mack, Judy Harrison, Joyce Harrison, June Wiley, Kay Stoll, Loralyn Bomar, Lilla Beth Fisher, Betty Ludeman, Sandra Price, Phyllis Bradbury, Tony Dryden, Ann Osborn, June Reel, Ruth Nell Ramsey, Chris Hartline, Wanda Haak, Carolyn Burch, Winona Johnson, Cora Hicks, Barbara Jacobus, Marilyn Drake and Glenda Mullinax.

The Thetas have been active in campus activities too. Billy Talley and Edwina Harrison are members of Kappa Delta Pi, honorary education fraternity. Edwina is also serving as vice-president of the YWCA.

Joanne Goff is a member of Phi Kappa Phi, which means she ranks in the top four percent of her class scholastically.

We are so proud of our out-going president, DeLois Faulkner, who having won numerous beauty titles on the campus and being national American Royal queen, was recently named Maid of Cotton in Memphis, Tenn. DeLois is now on a tour of the United States and will tour Europe before her reign ends.

Donna Lou Ellis was selected to appear as one of five beauties in the yearbook this spring. Shirley Kriewitz is Honorary Cadet Colonel of the First Regiment. Sue Schrimsher and June Wiley were recently chosen as Varsity Review girls and will vie for the title of "Miss Varsity Review" in the show which will be presented in April.

The pledges are not to be left out where good looks are concerned. June Reel was runner-up for the title of Freshman Queen. Tony Dryden is Sweetheart of Tau Kappa Epsilon and Donna Cardona is Sigma Chi's candidate for Miami Triad queen.

Phyllis Childress

OREGON

Alpha Xi

The half-way mark of the school year has once again been reached and the popular expression: "I don't know where this year has gone," is being heard. After a very successful fall term and a wonderful vacation, the ladies of Alpha Xi chapter returned to begin a new term of studying and the perennial round of social events.

On January 14, we were pleased to welcome 18 new initiates. Those now proudly wearing the Theta kite include: Nancy Adams, Lynn Adelsperger, Salley Bangs, Marion Baum, Lee Blaesing, Betty Lou Boehm, Fay Campbell, Patricia Gordon, Sue Hawes, Martha Ireland, Stephanie Jones, Verity Kitchen, Mary Ellen Lally, Sharron McCabe, Evelyn Nelson, Louanne Pearson, Joan Rainville and Judy Wells. We are planning to honor our new initiates in a surprise house dance, February 26. The dance will center around a theme of a southern ball and will adhere to the gaiety and color of the South.

The first big event of fall term was, of course, Homecoming. This included, for the Thetas, a work party, an open house for the parents and friends, climaxed by a football game and dance. We were very pleased when Mary Jane Rud, a junior, was a member of the Homecoming court. Mary Gerlinger had previously been named as a finalist for Betty-Coed.

To wind up fall term in a true Christmas spirit, a Christmas party was given jointly with the Theta Chis for the underprivileged children in Eugene. We played games, sang Christmas carols and served refreshments. Santa Claus made his annual appearance and brought presents for all the children. The Thetas also enjoyed a beautiful Christmas party at the home of Mary Lou Teague, on December 9. Carols were sung and entertainment was provided by our Norwegian foreign student. She told us of a typical Christmas in Norway and served us refreshments appropriate to Norway.

At the beginning of winter term, Mortar Board

held its annual Smarty Party for all freshman girls who made a three-point or above during fall term. We were pleased when Marion Baum, Betty Lou Boehm, Lee Blaesing, Sharron McCabe and Stephanie Jones were invited.

Our annual Founders' Day celebration was held on January 29. The banquet was a big success and very well attended by both alumnae and students. After a few speeches and a wonderful breakfast, the members of the freshman class presented a clever skit for the enjoyment of all.

Every winter term Alpha Xi holds its annual scholarship dinner. This year, as always, it was a gala affair. The class with the lowest grade point average provided entertainment during the meal. It was a costume event and each girl was served the type of dinner in accordance with her grade point. Not only is this dinner always a great deal of fun, but it provides quite an incentive towards scholarship.

We are very much pleased to have pledged Astrid (Lisa) Hart of Eugene during open-rush. Mary Lou Teague and Mary Jo Fitterre, pledged during open-rush last spring, were initiated in November. Mary Lou Teague has just finished a term of presidency of Mu Phi Epsilon, a music honorary.

Recently we have enjoyed both a faculty dinner and Dads' Day weekend. The faculty dinner was given in honor of various university professors and their wives. This occasion provided the Thetas with a chance to entertain some of their favorites. Dads' Day is always a wonderful time for Dads and students. There are always two exciting basketball games, a luncheon, a dance and many open houses. This year Alpha Xi had a big Sunday dinner in honor of the Dads. We were pleased to have Ann Hopkins Anderson on the Dads' Day court.

Spring is just around the corner with promises of a wonderful term. We are still remembering the wonderful events of fall and winter term but we are also looking forward to a grand spring.

Marian McDowell

OREGON STATE

Beta Epsilon

Beta Epsilon is proud to have 15 brand-new members wearing the kite. They are Barbara Abram, Diana Doyle, Mary Howard, Marianne Leaf, Muriel McDowell, Janice Morrison, Sally Severance, Janice Ruedy, and Kay Settergren, all of Portland; Donna Morse, Corvallis; Kathryn Mumm and Margery Stockman, Pendleton; Ann Pedersen, Klamath Falls, Mary Kathleen Metcalf, Salem; and Nina Gollersrud, Cathlamet, Washington.

Thetas were busy right before Christmas spreading the Christmas spirit of giving. We had a party with the members of Theta Chi fraternity at which we entertained 30 children from the local Children's Farm Home. After lunch and singing and entertainment, Santa Claus came to give them presents.

Also we had our own party at the chapter house, but instead of exchanging presents among members, we collected a turkey and all the trimmings to provide Christmas dinner to a needy family. We also enclosed warm clothing and toys for the children.

Caroling to the men's living groups was an annual event enjoyed by all. Another annual event is our Founders' Day dessert, to which we invite all local alumnae. After dessert we present a short program commemorating the founders and giving a history of the local chapter.

Beauty in Theta is never lacking. Nina Gollersrud, one of our new initiates, was chosen Sweetheart of Sigma Chi. On the Homecoming court was Nancy Rearden, and Barbara Abram, another new member, was one of the finalists for Little Colonel at the Military Ball.

Dramatists take the spotlight as Mary Johnson and Barbara Bogue will soon don grease paint for their parts in the forthcoming "Sabrina Fair." Music came in the form of our participation in the Panhellenic Sing Dad's weekend. We welcomed our fathers down for a weekend of fun and festivities climaxed by a Saturday evening banquet at the house.

Diane Griswold received an award for the highest scholarship in her class last year at Oregon State. The chapter as a whole was proud to top the campus on the fall term living group honor roll, and our pledge class walked off with the cup for having the highest scholarship among sororities.

We're now getting ready to change the house into a ski lodge as we prepare for the fun and fellowship of our annual winter term ski dance.

Billie Hargrave

PENNSYLVANIA

Beta Eta

The Beta Eta welcomed 17 new pledges in November. They are Carole Clauer, Roselle Park, N.J.; Antonia Coady, Haverford; Robin Fidler, Camp Hill; Virginia Gehring and Debbie Lukens, Swarthmore; Carol Guinness, Plainfield, N.J.; Ann O'Hara, Yonkers, N.Y.; Christine Moranz, Elkins Park; Eileen Putek, Merchantville, N.J.; Tina Polk, Rosemont; Emily Peltier, Rydal; Karol Reitsch, Rockford, Ill.; Joan Sprecher, Cynwyd, Mary Jeanette Suggs, Villanova; Marjorie Wilson, Washington's Crossing, N.J.; and Carolyn Heiman, Mount Airy.

Carolyn Heiman assumed the position of president of the pledge class with Antonia Coady, secretary-treasurer, and Marjorie Wilson, proctor. Antonia Coady was elected secretary-treasurer of Junior Panhellenic Association. Emily Peltier and Robin Fidler also represent Theta in the junior group.

Visiting alumnae Thetas were welcomed to the chapter house for the annual Alum Brunch, Saturday, November 13, preceding the Penn-Army game. Social chairman, Connie Brown, was assisted by actives and pledges in making the affair an enjoyable "get-together" for all.

The Beta Eta chapter celebrated its 35th anniversary at a Reunion Banquet on Wednesday evening, November 17, at Houston Hall. Following dinner, an open house was held.

The Thetas entered into the Yuletide spirit on December 10 when the annual Christmas formal was held with the Kappa Kappa Gammas at Vespers Boat House. The Thetas and Kappas also staged an exchange dinner the week before the formal.

Children from the university Settlement House were entertained by Thetas at the annual Orphans' Christmas Party on Tuesday afternoon, December 14. That evening the pledges presented a skit for the house Christmas party preceding the usual exchange of gifts.

Theta courtsters copped the Intramural basketball trophy by defeating Kappa Kappa Gamma in the final competition of the tournament. Bowling, badminton and volley ball games have also had Theta contestants.

Jane Williamson has been elected chairman of the senior Orientation Committee and Elaine Vonder Lindt has also been selected for the committee. Kay Selner assumed the duties of transfer chairman of New Student Week and Joan Ackley has been elected vice-president of student affairs of the Pennsylvania-West Virginia region of the National Student Association.

Theta actives and pledges attended the annual Founders' Day luncheon at Bala Golf Club on Saturday, February 12. The chapter is busily planning a skit for the District Convention to be held at Cherry Hill Inn in nearby New Jersey on March 11 and 12.

Joan Ackley

PENNSYLVANIA STATE

Beta Phi

No letter.

PITTSBURGH

Alpha Omega

It's Mardi Gras time for Alpha Omega as spring rushing gets under way. The Theta house is the setting of the Mardi Gras and is a mass of colored streamers, masques, balloons, songs and laughter. Each Theta has been working for months under the direction of Nancy Taylor, our rush chairman, to make this the best rush season ever! Fall rushing brought us a new Theta, Dolly Swider who was initiated January 11, 1955.

Having just finished Greek Week at Pitt, Theta is very proud to have claimed three out of the five finalists for Greek Week Queen. They were Nancy Zentgraf, Sherry Grahm and Jo Sisler. The conclusion of Greek Week also gave us a new trophy for the cutest hats worn during that week. This was an inter-sorority competition to give more publicity to Greek life at Pitt. Also, congratulations are in order to Sherry Grahm who will reign as Sweetheart of Sigma Alpha Epsilon for the year 1954-1955.

At the William Penn Hotel on January 29, Pittsburgh Thetas joined in celebrating Founders' Day. This, of course, is a very special day for all of us.

Our annual retreat was held February 3, 4, and 5 at the Theta house. Since most of us don't live on campus, this is always one of our favorite occasions. We set aside this weekend for special business, and last minute rushing preparations.

As spring carnival time rolls around again, we will join the Sigma Chis in bidding for the various carnival week trophies.

Nancy Feeney

PURDUE

Alpha Chi

Alpha Chi has had several trade functions and parties since the last issue. We all enjoyed our two trade dinners, one with the Kappa Sigs and the other with the Kappas, which preceded a basketball game. Before Christmas, we had an exchange decorating party with the Sigma Nus and went caroling with the Pi Kappa Alphas to the Old Soldiers' Home and the Wabash Valley Sanitarium. Our annual Christmas party with the Phi Psis for underprivileged children was again a success. We had a big turkey dinner for them, sang carols around the tree and even had a Santa Claus who came through the window with several toys in his pack for each of the twelve children. I'm sure it was as much fun for us as it was for the children.

We also had our annual Christmas tea for the faculty and the rest of the campus, which was well attended and termed successful.

One evening after hours we had our chapter Christmas party. A very clever skit was given by the seniors after which we exchanged gifts with anonymous poems attached. We are all enjoying our new card table and chairs, silver water pitchers, toaster, and the tea cart which were gifts from the alums and our Mothers' Club.

Slate elections were held soon after vacation and installation was on January 11. Our new major officers for the coming year are: president, Judy Helms; vice president, Judy Jo Cox; treasurer, Esther Pastene; house manager, Sandra Thompson; social chairman, Carolyn Ashbaucher; rush chairman, Connie Butter-

field; corresponding secretary, Mary Ann Kenady; recording secretary, Loyce McNutt; and editor, Nancy Kenady.

Founders' Day was celebrated with a luncheon in the Purdue Union which was highlighted by an entertaining book review entitled "There's Nothing Dripping On Us."

After a successful rush, we are now busy planning the dance in honor of our new pledges. These pledges are: Dee Allison, Milwaukee, Wis.; Sue Bayless, Bluffton; Beverly Beck, West Lafayette; Diane Bosse and Sue Bushey, Evansville; Marge Condrey, Munster; Carol Crosby, Delphi; Barbara Dean, Dayton, Ohio; Louise Dittirch, Highland; Nancy Dye and Jean Gay, Lafayette; Jean Goeble, Andrews; Sue Hipskind, Ft. Wayne; Pat Klopfenstein and Portia Troyer, South Bend; Sally Lakin, La Salle; Martha McMillan, Terre Haute; Marilyn Morrison, Frankfort; Sarah Myers, Roachdale; Susan Neff, Chicago, and Salle Steinhauer of Albion, Mich.

Nancy Kenady

RANDOLPH-MACON

Beta Beta

Like many other chapters, I imagine, we are breathing a sigh of relief to have exams behind us, and we're settling down to this semester's work.

During the past few months, we've been very busy. Soon after Thanksgiving the pledges gave us a party. Adgie Williams had planned some interesting games, and we enjoyed the get-together. At one of the meetings, we enjoyed seeing slides and scrapbooks of last year's convention at Quebec. At Christmas we had



The Thetas of Beta Beta gave a party for Lynchburg orphans. Shown entertaining the children are Ann Verbecke, Judy Leedy, Peggy Weddington and Ann Barnes.

our annual party with supper at the house and an exchange of gifts. On November 18 and 19, we had the privilege of a visit from our Grand Alumnae Secretary, Mrs. Brandriff. It was so nice to get to know personally a member of Grand Council. We really enjoyed our visits with her and she has given us many helpful suggestions.

We feel that a very important part of our work is to help other people. Again this year, we are supporting a Korean orphan, Yun Soon Ja, under the Foster Parent's Plan. At Christmas we sent her a special gift. We also contributed to the Lynchburg Colony to enable the children there to have a party. On December 9, we had our own party at the house for the three to five-year-old children from the orphanage. We had a Christmas tree, refreshments, games, and Betty Bawden played Santa.

Several of the girls have recently received campus honors. Betty McGehee is a member of the Am Sam Society, Becky Hargis is president and Linkie Wiles, treasurer of the International Relations Club. Linkie is also a member of the Blazer Club. Susie Williams is on the committee planning Brotherhood week. Ann Barnes is an Omega, a beauty society on campus.

We are anxiously looking forward to District Convention in Richmond on February 26 and 27. That will be a busy weekend for us, since initiation will begin that Sunday night, when we return.

Judy Hill

ROLLINS

Gamma Gamma

Luck seemed to have really turned our way during the fall term which we ended at Christmas with our pledges giving an all-college Christmas party in the Theta living room. In looking back over the months we see that two of our seniors, Kay Dunlap and Carol Farquharson, were elected to *Who's Who in American Colleges* to which only ten names in all can be submitted from Rollins, due to our limited student body. Sportswise, we won the intramural basketball trophy for the fourth year in a row, four of our eight pledges (we could only take eight) made the all star team which competed against us in an exhibition, and six of 12 girls on the varsity team are Thetas.

In the midst of the social whirl is Sally Simeon, a sophomore, who was elected Kappa Alpha Rose and is also their candidate for Fiesta Queen during a Rollins celebration. Earlene Roberts made the cheer-leading squad for the third year.

The talent shows which are held in two sections found us in first place in the first section and second in the second.

Over Christmas our luck almost slipped from under us when a Florida to Canada plane crashed with two of our Thetas aboard, Roma Neundorf and Marlene Stewart, Canada's foremost woman golfer. Although burned, they returned to school with only the stipulation that they lay off golfing for awhile.

In the five weeks that have passed in winter terms we initiated all of our pledges on January 14. The new actives are Judy Bygate, Virginia Carpenter, Mary Fulenwider, Barbara McIntyre, Ann Pontious,



Sue Haugen of Gamma Sigma chapter was elected Sweetheart of Sigma Chi recently, pinned with the same sweetheart pin that was given her sister, Mary Jane, in 1950 when Mary Jane was also chosen Sweetheart of Sigma Chi at San Diego.

Linda Turney, Maryanne Weil, and Sue York. January 31 saw us at a Founders' Day banquet given by our alumnae where we presented a program renewing old memories and they presented one of our new actives, Mary Fulenwider, with a medal and cup for being the most outstanding pledge of the year. The alums just started the project this year and plan to continue. The cup will remain in our living room with the medal going to the girl.

So far this season we are undefeated in intramural softball and, having that capacity, we were invited by the Sigma Nus to have a game with them to be followed by a party. Still in the party vein is the fact that we are giving one of the year's biggest dances, Hay Day, with the Pi Phis—which is novel in that up to now all the dances have been sorority-fraternity combinations.

One of the most outstanding events of the new term was the visit of our District President, Mrs. Robert M. Little, during the first of February. In addition to the tea we gave in her honor that she might meet the other sorority presidents, Mrs. Little was able to attend the Founders' Day banquet.

Needless to say, we're eagerly looking forward to what the rest of the term will bring.

Jo Davis

SAN DIEGO

Gamma Sigma

Gamma Sigma took second place in the sorority division of Homecoming floats with its "Kitten on

the Keys."

On October 31, initiation was held for Muriel Grenfell.

Sue Haugen was crowned Sweetheart of Sigma Chi in November and Sharon Jackson was one of her attendants. Sondra Beachler was named Orchid Girl of Sigma Pi and was crowned by last year's Orchid Girl, Gamma Sigma Carole Skinner.

Gamma Sigmas and Kappa Sigs joined forces to give a Christmas party for underprivileged children. There were movies, games, and a gift for each child. Our Christmas formal was held at the Hotel Del Coronado and preceded by a party at Pat Andrew's home.

Lois Farr was initiated into Alpha Mu Gamma, national language honorary and Dorothy Scully was asked to join Pi Kappa Delta, national speech fraternity. At the AWS banquet, Diann Penry was tapped by Cap and Gown, senior women's honorary.

We are very proud that on March 6 we will be able to initiate all our fall pledges, namely: Sherry Barratt, Sondra Beachler, Barbara Blee, Shirley Campbell, Jackie Covington, Marcia Cross, Jean Elliott, Lois Farr, Connie Grader, Donna Gumz, Sally Haas, Elaine Lindrus, Carole Linthicum, Barbara Richard, Valerie Roesch, Tonya Romano, Dorothy Scully, Pauline Stamatopoulos, and Joyce Woodard.

Marion Greaves was named editor of the *Aztec*, San Diego State's newspaper, and Valerie Roesch was named society editor of the paper. Valerie is the second freshman ever to have received this position.

Patricia Andrews was named Queen of Hearts at the Phi Sigma Kappa Queen of Hearts Ball.

Gamma Sigma is pleased to have had a visit from Mrs. Daly, our district president, on February 14, 15, and 16.

Virginia Rosewaine

SAN JOSE

Gamma Xi

Our full year of activities started off with San Jose State's new policy of rushing and pledging fall quarter. The eight lovely girls that we pledged are: Barbara Larney and Sara True, San Mateo, Carol Banne, Vallejo, Sue Fosgate, Stockton, Roxann Frazier, Sebastopol, Christine Griffiths, Cupertino, Ann McKinney, Mill Valley and Kathi Poussette, Los Altos.

To start our chapter's year in the right direction we were visited by Mrs. McDuffy, our college District President, for about four days. We are hoping and expecting to see her again now very soon.

Then came the big event, Homecoming, which was with Stanford this year. Among the ten finalists for Homecoming Queen were our girls Janice Cappezoli for Phi Sigma Kappa, Pat Lavery for Pi Kappa Alpha and Gini Watson for Sigma Alpha Epsilon. Janice and Gini were Homecoming attendants. The Homecoming parade went down the street, Kappa Alpha Theta's "Shell 'Em" rolled by and Gamma Xi girls were quite proud of our first place winner. To celebrate, Thetas and Alpha Tau Omegas opened Theta doors to all our campus friends.

In the meantime, doings on campus took up much time for our Thetas. In the senior class Barbara Taylor was elected vice-president while Bobbie Watson and Pat Waddell worked diligently on senior week activities for the senior class of our student body; the junior class had Gini Watson as their vice-president, Barbara Murphy, treasurer; Carol Lucas, junior representative to Student Council, while Sally Ferris was secretary of the sophomore class and Barbara Dale was half-year freshman representative to Student Council.

Next came novice boxing matches and rooting with Sigma Alpha Epsilon for their boxers. We were



Gamma Xi chapter won first place in the Theta Chi All Greek show at San Jose with their skit "Reg Revue."



Santa Barbara Thetas won first place with their skit in the Galloping Gaucho Review. It was entitled "Happy Wanderers."

both presented with a second place trophy for our authentic yells.

Up went the Christmas tree, parties and open houses. Christmas cards from many announced Christmas and time for our annual Christmas Party with the S.A.E. for underprivileged children and orphans of San Jose. Also, one evening was shared by actives and alumnae to distribute our gifts for our Theta home.

Rush parties and pledging rolled around again and this time we pledged: Flavia Ann Brink, Barbara Dale, Sarah Rinehart and Sally Steadman town girls, Virginia Breslin, Alhambra, Marjorie Bruce, San Carlos, Carolyn Carlson, Fort Bragg, Ann Chambers and Jody Lasher, Campbell, Jean Christie, Palo Alto, Susan Doyle, Susanville, Joan Egli, Los Altos, Sarah Fairley, Manhattan Beach, Stanna Halstead, Los Gatos, Nancy Henderson, Merced, Judy McKnight, Eureka, Judy McDonald, San Francisco, Janet Sebrell, El Cerrito, Sally Sorenson, Vallejo, Bonnie Soe, Los Angeles, Miriam Waggener, Menlo Park, Shirley Weber, San Joaquin, Nancy Lou Westenberg, Richmond.

Our "Reg Revue" skit of authentic dance routines and self-written words to popular musicals in the Theta Chi All-Greek Show put us in top place. Also, Carol Lucas was one of the two attendants for Theta Chi's Dream Girl. Now song practice is in full swing for our part in A.W.S.'s March Melodies.

Yes, this most eventful school year in our "home away from home" will be one to be cherished in our hearts for many many years to come.

Barbara Gough

SANTA BARBARA

Gamma Rho

A busy fall semester came to a close for the Santa Barbara Thetas with the arrival of beautiful spring weather for the new semester and a week of registration and rushing.

Deferred rushing proved very profitable with the pledging of the following girls: Suzie Green and Suzie Hardy, both of Monrovia; Betty Volden of San Jose; Artie Deuterman of Belmont; Jody Stevenson of Coluso; Marcia Lloyd of Hollywood; Nancy Cramer of Redlands; Nancy Tafel and Karen Pettker both of Los Angeles; Elaine Graves of Lynwood, and Pat Eder of Santa Barbara.

This fall, classes began on our new campus at Goleta. The campus covers 108 acres with its own private beach. New buildings include a beautiful new library and a science building with a freshman dorm and music department undergoing construction. We hope to have sororities and fraternities on campus in the next few years. They are to be located on a lagoon—sororities on one side, fraternities on the other side being connected by a bridge.

Homecoming Weekend ended very successfully for the Thetas. Our skit in the Galloping Gaucho Review entitled "Goleta Wanderers" won best in show. Our float, a huge whale lying on his back sipping a Martini, won first place in the sorority division.

Early in the semester, we were honored to have our president, Sue Ziegler, selected for Colonel's Coeds, an honorary organization chosen by the ROTC members. Suzie makes the fifth Theta in Colonel's Coeds.

We celebrated the holiday season with our annual winter formal at the Santa Barbara Biltmore, and our Christmas party with the alumnae at which we exchanged gifts and had an evening of entertainment and singing. Also highlighting this festive season was a joint Christmas party with the Sig Eps.

Gamma Rho enjoyed a visit from our District President, Mrs. Gen McDuffy, early in January. Mrs. McDuffy stayed for several days during which time she interviewed the officers, sat in on one of our meetings, and attended a luncheon with the alumnae.

The fall pledge class recently sent a box of darling stuffed animals to the Institute of Logopedics as one of their pledge projects.

We are now looking forward to the Presents Formal honoring sorority pledges which will be held February 26 and the many activities of the spring term.

Barbara Ottaway

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Omicron

Omicron is looking forward to an eventful spring semester following the installment of our new officers. Cammie King now holds the office of president, and her cabinet consists of Pat Strickland, first vice-president in charge of scholarship; Barbee Steeves, second vice-president in charge of pledges; Jane Anderson, recording secretary; Kathleen Leavy, corresponding secretary; Barbara Butcher, treasurer; Mary Waldsmith, rush chairman; Judy Broomfield, social chairman; Suzie Doree, house manager; Barbara Harpster, standards chairman; Nanette Carlson, editor; Ann Maybee, chaplain; Nancy Juhl, archivist. The entire chapter feels that we will have a more than successful semester under the guidance of this capable cabinet.

Our fall semester came to a close with four way exchange between the KAs, SAEs, DGs and Thetas. It was a big success, and a wonderful time was reported by all. Before Christmas vacation we got together with the Betas to give a Christmas party for a group of underprivileged children. There were candy and gifts for all, and a visit from Santa Claus was welcomed by the children. The first social affair on our agenda this semester is an exchange with the Phi Delt on the 18th of February. The party is to be given around a Mexican theme, and costumes will be worn. Future exchanges with the Sigma Chi, Kappa Sigs, Phi Psis, and Deltas are scheduled, but the dates are not yet set.

Our annual Theta formal, which is always a big event, will be held March 5 at the Huntington Hotel in Pasadena. Before the dance the pledges will entertain the actives by hosting a cocktail party, a chapter tradition. Following the dance a late supper will be given in the home of Mary Bateman.

We have a bright future ahead under our new house mother, Mrs. Clem Allen, who is fulfilling her position in the true sense of the word. Thetas are nothing new to Mrs. Allen, since her daughter (Mrs. Charles J. Hawkins, Jr., Peggy Allen) was a member of Beta Xi chapter. Along with our new house mother, we shall have a new house in the near future. It will be built at our present location. Our tentative plans are to tear this house down in June and begin construction immediately. Our corporation president is Mrs. Rushton, who has an extremely big task ahead, and is doing a fabulous job. The next corporation meeting will be held April 12.

During the brief visit of our District President, Mrs. E. K. Daly, we received word of a convention to be held in June. We are enthusiastically looking forward to this convention. Another recent visitor was Mrs. Gonser, whom we enjoyed having with us.

We are especially proud of a few Thetas in particular. Betty Streevy was chosen Sweetheart of

Delta Sig, and Sonja Reynolds is the new Miss Young Republican of Los Angeles County. Phyllis McMeen was recently put up for Sig Ep Queen of Hearts, and we are awaiting hopefully for the results.

Nannette Carlson

SOUTHERN METHODIST

Beta Sigma

No letter.

SOUTH DAKOTA

Alpha Rho

The Thetas of Alpha Rho have had a busy social calendar this season. One of the highlights of the last few months was our annual Christmas formal. The decorations centered around a huge fireplace and each girl brought a stocking filled with silly toys for her date. Another highlight of the Yuletide season was the formal Christmas tea, which the Thetas hold each year. The tea was a great success, with the house decorated with greens and holly and all the girls in their formals. The Thetas added to the Christmas spirit by serenading the fraternities, singing traditional Christmas songs under the expert leadership of Lynette Waltner. Instead of exchanging gifts this Christmas season, we bought presents and a huge basket of food for a deserving family.

Another event on our social calendar was Founders' Day. Our chapter entertained the Vermillion Alumnae with a dessert. Our initiation was reviewed and a tribute was paid to our founders.

With the arrival of the new semester, Alpha Rho plunged into activities with renewed vigor. Alpha Rho is busily practicing and planning its 1955 act for Strollers, the all-university variety talent show. This year we are combining with Delta Tau Delta fraternity to present a fifteen minute musical act about the roaring '20's. The show will be held on March 18.

A successful rush week began the second semester activities. We pledged three girls: Mary Murphy of Pierre and Sara Shober and Mary Ann Schumacher of Huron. Rush week was under the capable direction of our new rush chairman, Nancy Hoy.

The new semester also meant installation of our new officers. They are: Betty Holmoe, president; Eleanor Toft, vice-president; Ann Jastrum, recording secretary; Berdine Harris, treasurer; Sonja Stewart, corresponding secretary; Mary Jo Vandenberg, house manager, and Edice Blue, social chairman.

The new semester also means more activities and honors for Thetas on campus. Of the four girls chosen to compete for the honor of Honorary Colonel, three are Thetas: Jackie Hepper, Beth Lund, and Ann Jastrum. Quidon pledges will also be chosen at the Military Ball, which will be held in April. Pat Sather is the Theta representative for the Mardi Gras Queen, who will be chosen at the Mardi Gras Ball in February.

Another honor which came to the Alpha Rho chapter was the selection of two Thetas as first and second place winners in the all-university oratorical contest. These two girls were Frances Drey and Marge Frantz, respectively. Karen Sather was recently pledged



Chi of Syracuse claims (left to right): Sally Hoople and Judy Payne, members of the design honorary, Alpha Xi Alpha—with Sheila Hicks and Pat Cain, members of the junior honorary, Lambda Sigma Sigma.

to Tau Kappa Alpha, the honorary speech fraternity. A high honor came to the Thetas when three of our chapter, Beth Lund, Ann Louise Shaw, and Kay Kiel, were named to *Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities*.

Alpha Rho will miss Jean Gilbert Anderson and Claudie Beauregard who graduated at semester time. Jean joined her husband in Chicago and Claudie was married in February.

The future holds promise of an eventful spring season with the Interfraternity Sing, Swingout, and the selection of Mortar Board members heading the list. We are all looking forward to a bright new year and another semester of honors and activities for Theta coeds.

Karen Sather

SYRACUSE

Chi

After a hectic rushing season Chi pledged 22 wonderful girls. We are happy to welcome—Carolyn Coats and Antonio Yardley of Skaneateles, N.Y.; Drusa Steggel and Ione Tracy of Syracuse, N.Y.; Nancy Ness and Edith Jo Eichelberger of York, Pa.; Marcia Bloser, Evanston, Ill.; Elizabeth Elisath, Ruthersford, N.Y.; Linda Hauck, Snyder, N.Y.; Maureen Kelly, Northport, N.Y.; Nancy Jo Phillips, Steubenville, Ohio; Virginia Roberts, Washington, D.C.; Eileen Ross, Shickshinny, Pa.; Karen Ruebhausen, Irvington, N.Y.; Barbara Spittlor, Gowanda, N.Y.; Sonya Alieda Suydam, Cincinnati, Ohio; Glenda Tennyson, Toronto, Ontario, Can.; Grace Wheatley, Kenmore, N.Y.; Barbara Wiessler, Allentown, Pa.; Sally Lou Brydon, Eggertsville, N.Y.; Denice Van Liew, Niagara Falls, N.Y., and Clara Zimmerman, Burlington, N.C.

We have had a full and pleasant social calendar this year including coffees with S.A.E., K.S., Psi U., a dinner for Phi Gamma Delta, a day at Theta Delta Chi at Hamilton College, Halloween party with Alpha Phi, and a Christmas party with Eileen Ross as our Santa, followed by caroling and cocoa with the Phi Gams. Now we are building our snow sculpture for Winter Weekend.

Our next big event is our Sweetheart formal, February 12. It will be a dinner dance at the chapter house. After giving ties and knitting socks in black and gold the last two years, we are completing the men's Theta outfits with black and gold belts as favors.

Chi members have had many honors bestowed upon them. Jean Ann Brydon was initiated into Phi Beta Kappa. Betty Bartlett and Thelma Savard were pledged to Zeta Phi Eta, speech honorary. Sally Hoople and Judy Payne were welcomed into Alpha Xi Alpha, design honorary, and Sigma Alpha Iota, professional music fraternity, boasts three Chi's: Ann Simmons, Pat Lofgren and Mary C. Bayles. Ellie Bieg, Sunny Keyes and Alice Combs were chosen for Traditions Commission which plans and organizes freshman orientation.

We boast many new fraternity pins. Nora Hutton, Sally Hoople, Sunny Keyes, Liz Elisath, Alieda Suydam, Pat Cain, Ellie Bieg and Ginny Roberts are proudly displaying them. Chi has also had three marriages this year. Nancy Skeele to Don Edwards; Pat Paluso to Toni DeAngelos; Claire Swan to Chuck Schwann. Best wishes to our new brides.

We are hoping this semester will be as fine as the last. Our Father's weekend is in the planning stage and we hope to give our fathers a fine time.

Virginia Hughes

TEXAS

Alpha Theta

On Friday, November 12, Alpha Theta held an open house for Kappa Sigma. We entertained the DU's the following Friday.

Alpha Theta won honorable mention this year in the university's annual Sing-Song. Our song leader was Ann Nicholl.

On December 10, Alpha Theta held its annual Christmas party at the Palamino Club, after which members, pledges and dates came to the chapter house for a Christmas dinner and dancing. Our pledges Christmas party for 50 underprivileged children in Austin was December 16. The night before, the house girls had "Friend's Night," each active asking a friend to the house for coffee and dessert.

Between semesters, Alpha Theta rushed in Ft. Worth, as the TCU chapter pledged 15 girls, their quota. We celebrated Founders' Day at the chapter house February 10.

Among the Alpha Thetas who have been recognized for campus leadership are Celia Buchan, Carol Hamilton, Diane MacFarland, Marion Murphy, Madeline Moore and Jayne Upton, newly elected members of Orange Jackets, campus service organization. Ann Nicholl was pledged to Mu Phi Epsilon, while Ann Hulse and Sally Bivins were both initiated into Phi Lambda Theta, honorary education society. Karel Sladek and Margaret Mangum were also elected into the Spanish honorary. Carol Hamilton was chosen to serve the university as its Great Issues' chairman next year.

Alpha Theta is now busy with plans for our winter formal to be held at the country club, and our spring retreat. Our topics this year will be developing a philosophy of life, choosing a lifework, and preparation for marriage. Our retreat will be held with the Phi Gams, under the leadership and direction of the Rev. Jack Lewis.

Bonnie Swem

TEXAS TECH

Gamma Phi

What a year this has been, honor-wise, for the Gamma Phis here at Texas Tech! We're just bursting with pride for our girls. Our president, Kay Lynn Watson, was included in the *Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities*. Kay Lynn is also a member of Sigma Tau Delta, English honorary, coordinator for the Student Union Building publicity, and secretary of the Board of Student Organizations of Tech. Four Thetas are either Army or Air Force R. O. T. C. Sweethearts this year. They are Mary Gristy, Barbara Ware, Anne Rathjen, and Virginia Mitchell. Virginia was selected the South Plains Maid of Cotton this fall. This is an added honor for us in that the last three Maids of Cotton from the South Plains have been Gamma Phis. The

other Maids of Cotton were Pat Mansell and Ann Perkins. Pat Boles is the president of Drane Hall. Sandra Shook was named Gator Bowl Queen in Jacksonville, Fla. at the annual Gator Bowl. She was also a runner-up for the Tech Homecoming Queen. For the second year in a row was a Theta selected as the Pi K A Dream Girl. Judy Edwards is the reigning sweetheart, replacing last year's selection, Ann Heatly. Another Homecoming Queen runner-up was Zoe Kirkpatrick. She and Rossi Baker are members of Sigma Delta Pi, honorary Spanish fraternity. Betty Fortune was named to the Freshman Council.

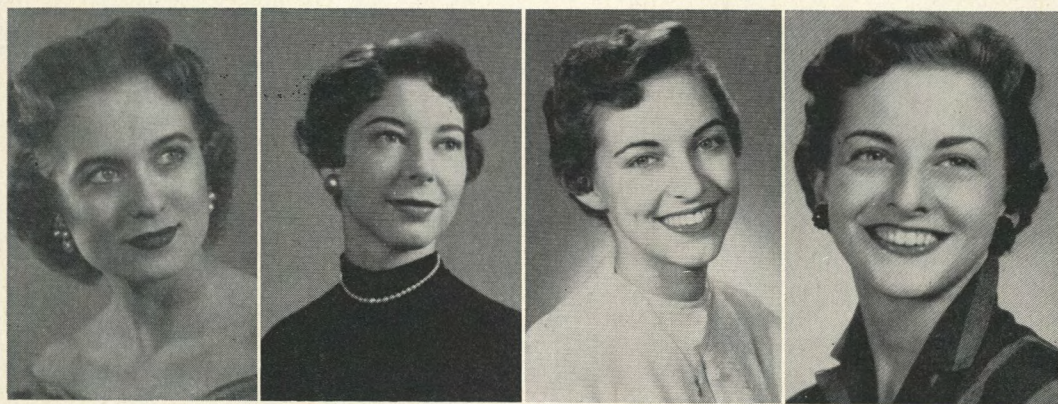
The Thetas were entertained with mixers this year by the Phi Gams, Phi Deltas, Alpha Tau Omicron, Kappa Sigs, and the Sigma Alpha Epsilons.

The Gamma Phis are now in the midst of spring rush. The absence of Jerry Reeves, Linda Yancy, Joanne Hampton, Kittie Ann Martin, Jean McNeal, Pat Randolph, Glo Reynolds, Shirley Smith, and Ann Perkins is already being felt by our chapter. We are anxiously awaiting the initiation of our fall pledges on February 19. The future actives will be Arlette Arnette, Bobbie Blocker, Marilyn Chesher, Carol Crisler, Sue Hunt Sexton, Margaret Ammer, Ann Hogg, Theora Caverly, Mary Jo Cappleman, Barbara Cowherd, Gerry Hancock, Annette Reed, Ann Davidson, Judy Edwards, Barbara Ware, Betty Fortune, Pat Henderson, Jerri Hills, Kay Morrison, Sandra Myers, Anne Rathjen, and Joan Roff.

The highlight of the new semester was our annual dinner dance, this year held at the Lubbock Country Club. Our thanks go to Kittie Hinchey, social chairman, and her various committees for a highly successful affair. With two wonderful dances behind us, we are looking forward to our Gypsy dance in March.

We held our Founders' Day luncheon at the Student Union ballroom on February 10. We especially enjoyed it since our guest was the charming Mrs. Gordon McNutt, district alumnae chairman. Our program consisted of excerpts from the initiation ritual and a sing song.

June Coker



Left to right: Sandra Shook of Gamma Phi chapter, Texas Tech, reigned as Gator Bowl Queen in Jacksonville, Florida this year. Kay Lynn Watson was elected to membership in Sigma Tau Delta (English honorary), the Junior Council, *Who's Who*, and serves as secretary of the Board of Student Organizations. Joanne Hampton was elected to Forum, senior honorary, and Beverly Bennett received the sophomore scholarship.

TULSA

Gamma Tau

Gamma Taus are proud of their 18 pledges, all of whom made their grades and will be initiated March 12. The happy girls receiving their pins will be Charlyne Beal, Maxine Henson, Dianna Reiff, Yvonne Taylor, Teresa Prigmore, Donna Wilson, Pat Morris, Marilyn Susott, Frances Fontaine, Susan Phillips, Suzanne Weber, Diana Miller, Kay Doran, Carol Carter, Marilyn Hartman, Patti Tarply, Merri-jean Nieman and Margie Lawson.

Early in December our lodge was filled with "gaily socked" Thetas and their dates who attended our Christmas Sock Hop. Before Christmas vacation we had a party to which we all brought gifts for the children at the Logopedics Institute.

Twenty-one Thetas were listed on the Dean's Honor Roll for the first semester of this year. This honor is bestowed only on those who maintain an average of 3.00 (B) or above. Sylvia Williams made an "A" average.

On February 5, Thetas could hardly recognize each other in their masks and gay costumes at our Mardi Gras dance. Our lodge was festively decorated for the occasion with glittering black and gold masks, balloons, streamers and confetti. Prizes were awarded for the best costumes.

Alumnæ and actives celebrated Founders' Day, January 28, with a semi-formal dinner.

Under the direction of Eddi-Rue McClanahan, 12 Thetas are busily rehearsing their song and dance number for Varsity Night, an all-university talent revue, to be held March 2-5. Eddi-Rue was also named choreographer for the show.

We are now planning and preparing for second semester rush, which will begin February 13. As Spring draws nearer we will be looking forward to our traditional Luau Party at which our Theta Man will be named. Our calendar will also include intramural sports and spring retreat.

Claire Sloan

VANDERBILT

Alpha Eta

Of first importance in Alpha Eta's news is the pledging of 30 outstanding girls after successful fall and winter rushing. We pledged: Judy Brooks, Cynthia Carrier, Betty Clements, Elizabeth Davis, Norma Davis, Frances Douglas, Cornelia Faust, Sarah Goodloe, Ann Harwell, Eve Loser, Joan Loser, Ann Mashburn, Babe Minton, Mary Alice Quinn and Sarah Sharp, of Nashville; Virginia Bonner, Caroline Church, Peggy Lloyd, Elizabeth Patton, all of Memphis; Mary Keeble Harrison of Murfreesboro; Jean Moores of Fayetteville; Sue Magood of Charleston, S.C.; Susan Hurley of Phoenix, Ariz.; Harriet Ann Jacobs and Ann Michael of Atlanta, Ga.; Susan Max of Indianapolis, Ind.; Gloria Polk of Helena, Ark.; Betty Ponder of Talladega, Ala.; Evelyn Gowdy of Louisville, Ky., and Pamela Davis of Roanoke, Va.

The rest of the fall quarter, after pledging, was spent orienting the new pledges in their new responsibilities, as well as entertaining them. We had a slumber party at the sorority house the weekend after

pledging and this was followed by a tea dance several weeks later. The party was a great success, with the members having just as much fun as the pledges.

The Alpha Etas again had their annual Christmas party for some underprivileged children. We had a wonderful time singing carols and playing Santa Claus, and were put very much in the spirit of the holidays in spite of being in the midst of exams. It might be added here that we achieved a 1.88 scholastic average for the fall term, of which we are very proud.

Back to the "Halls of Ivy" we came for the winter quarter, which always seems to be overloaded with school work and extra-curricular activities. On the Monday following the beginning of classes we had "Kite Night" which is our sorority supper party held once a month. However, at this meeting we were working on decorations for our dance which was a few weeks away. Polly Carroll, who was in charge of the decorations, did a grand job in working up the theme of the Snowflake Ball, and Ann Foster Cook, who is our social chairman, is to be congratulated on her fine organization of the dance as a whole.

The March of Dimes has been very active on our campus during the winter quarter. Members from all the sororities and fraternities gave time to go downtown to the March of Dimes stands to ask for money. The total results have not been announced yet but it is expected that the amount will be quite large.

The Founders' Day Banquet was held in January at the Richland Country Club and was an inspiring event. It was announced at the banquet that Sarah Sharp, with a 2.88 average was to receive the scholarship award for the pledge class.

The Thetas have been active in all sports during the year. So far we have entered the volleyball, ping pong, badminton, and swimming tournaments with grand results and lots of spirit to show for them. In the near future is the basketball tournament which is expected to be a close competition. Helen Green is our captain and a very good one.

The Coed Ball, also held in January, honored two of our members—Karen Dale and Sarah Sharp—by presenting them as members of the court. The court is chosen by the social standards committee on the campus.

The annual Bal D'Hiver, given by the Kappa Alpha Theta alumnæ of Nashville, was held on the 12th of February. Patsy Watterfield, a former Theta, was crowned Queen by Governor Frank Clement of Tennessee. The ball, which is given to raise funds for the Kappa Alpha Theta funds, was very successful; our chapter alone made over \$125 on the sale of tickets to the ball. Carlene Hunt was in charge of selling these tickets and should be complimented on a job well done.

Stunt Night, a competition among all the sororities on the campus, is just around the corner and we are all extremely enthusiastic over our idea. We have excellent material with which to work thanks to Gwynn Lanier and Mary Schlater, who are in charge, and all the others who are helping them.

Also, campus elections are coming up soon. Made-

line Reynolds has already been elected Secretary of the W.S.G.A.

There are many things in the future to look forward to and we all have very high hopes. It seems that the spring quarter may even be richer in activities than the winter one, if that is at all possible.

Susan Thomas

VERMONT

Lambda

Rush season ended after a hectic week of open-houses, parties and banquets, and Lambda welcomed with pride and joy our 29 wonderful new pledges! Despite our very concentrated rush season this year we came through, with the grand support of our willing alums, to pledge 22 freshmen and seven upper-classmen: Elizabeth Beck, Westfield, N.J.; Barbara Bennett, Burlington, Vt.; Elizabeth Bishop, Upper Montclair, N.J.; Joyce Bosko, New Brunswick, N.J.; Linda Bowman, Pittsford, N.Y.; Inge Broderson, Larchmont, N.Y.; Maree Callahan, Upper Montclair, N.J.; Carol Chase, Fitchburg, Mass.; Mary Davidson, Larchmont, N.Y.; Gretchen Devendorf, Amsterdam, N.Y.; Irmagard Downie, Hamilton, N.Y.; Gail Dunkerton, Short Hills, N.J.; Mary Ann Ernest, Amsterdam, N.Y.; Joanne Ewing, Longmeadow, Mass.; Patricia Fee, Port Washington, N.Y.; Gail Gibson, West Orange, N.J.; Lynn Jannick, Arlington, Vt.; Janet Kendall, New Rochelle, N.Y.; Elizabeth Kidder, Burlington, Vt.; Ruth Mutchler, Kensington, Md.; Lois Palmer, Keene, N.H.; Gail Skidmore, Englewood, N.J.; Nancy Soistmann, Woodstown, N.J.; Carol Stenberg, Hartford, Conn.; Betsy Stevens, Burlington, Vt.; Beth Sunderland, Wethersfield, Conn.; Susan Thomas, Ridgewood, N.J.; Barbara Verros, Belmont, Mass., and Sarah Williams, Dunkirk, N.Y.

Soon after pledging, Lambda gave a buffet supper for the Theta fathers, alums, faculty members, and drivers who helped us during rushing, and in honor of our new pledges.

Christmas brought a new rush of activity. The Thetas joined our next-door-neighbors, the S.A.E.s to give a Christmas party for 30 underprivileged children. Christmas tree, singing, ice-cream, and Santa Claus added to the merriment, and a good time was had by all. Christmas followed our final meeting of 1954, as the Thetas *en masse* sang carols from house to house at various parts of the campus.

Lambda contributes to the World University Student Drive by sponsoring a bean-guessing contest, which lasted a week. The proceeds were sent to aid needy students in all parts of the world.

Claire Battles, president of the Lawrence Debate Club, recently represented Vermont at a debate tournament at Tufts College. Claire was named among the top debaters when the University of Vermont played host to eastern colleges at a debate tournament here in November.

The new year brought a new rush of plans for more exchange dinners to follow those we had had with Kappa Sig, S.A.E. and Sigma Nu. There were also mid-year exams to look forward to. The ski season was in full swing, too, with many trips to Stowe in the offing. Big plans are in order for Kake Walk

weekend this year, too, for beside the snow sculpture and poster contests, we plan to run our candidate for Kake Walk Queen.

Lambda is also looking forward to a tea which will be given by our alums in honor of Founders' Day.

Unsigned

WASHBURN

Alpha Upsilon

Resulting from long hours of diligent studying and hard work on both the active chapter and the pledge class, was an entire chapter average of approximately 1.7.

Initiation will be held March 5 for the following ten pledges: Ramona Winkler, Paola; Jackie Houser, Green; Nancy Roberts, Neodeshea; Bev Wilkey, Eldorado; Jayne Bronson; Joan Klopstein; Kay Henry; Melinda Taylor (daughter of Lindy Lewis Troutman); Nancy French and Nancy Owsley.

Founders' Day was celebrated February 14 with a dinner at Hoffers Restaurant. Ann Colvin was awarded the Thelma Pyle Memorial Pin for being selected as the outstanding junior girl. Ann has served as president of Alpha Upsilon chapter in addition to maintaining a high scholarship average and many campus activities. "The Kappa Alpha Theta Story," a skit based on the four founders and their college life, was presented by members of the active chapter, and the pledges sang their traditional songs.

Ann Colvin, Carol Powell and Joan Scott are planning a trip to the Logopedics Institute at Wichita. The purpose of this trip later this spring is to bring the chapter closer to the work being done at the Institute, as well as supporting it by the various things we do, such as giving a dollar per member each Christmas and the pledges' project for initiation is to make little stuffed animals for the children.

Two rush weekends and a spring party are being planned to round out the social season.

Carol A. Powell

WASHINGTON (Seattle)

Alpha Lambda

Looking back over the busy winter season, Alpha Lambda Thetas find that they have had months full of activity and excitement.

Although many weeks have passed since Washington's Homecoming, none of us have forgotten the huge burlap bag which won us third place in the sign contest. Based on the saying "It's in the bag!", our show had three acts depicting the slogans "It's a cinch!", "Sure-as-shootin'" and "It's a victory!".

We were all proud of Diane Link and Joyce Tye when they were tapped by Totem Club, upperclasswomen's scholastic and service honorary. Hazel Coppess was chosen for membership in W-Key, a comparable honorary for sophomores. Two welcome additions to our chapter were Luanne Shaw and Janet Stone, whom we affiliated from Alpha Sigma chapter at Washington State.

When the Campus Chest drive got under way, the Thetas proudly participated in the money raising activities. Our house was opened for the "Nickel Hop"



Linda Link (left) of Alpha Lambda chapter reigned as Queen of Frosh Week. Joyce Tye is the newly-elected president of A.W.S., president of W-Key (sophomore honorary), class secretary and a member of Totem Club (scholastic and service honorary).

where boys were allowed to come in and dance for fifteen minutes for a nickel.

The pledges ushered in the Christmas season by decorating the house with holly, mistletoe, tinsel, sparkles and a beautiful tree bearing ornaments with each big sister's name on one of them. We joined the Sigma Alpha Epsilons for our annual orphan party and entertained several children from the Washington Children's Home. Later the fraternity gave us a serenade and a silver candy dish with the SAE and Theta crests on it. Just before Christmas vacation, we and the Beta Theta Pi's caroled at the Children's Orthopedic hospital.

More honors were bestowed upon our members as Nancy Burrows was invited into Pi Lambda Theta, national education honorary; Susan Johnson joined Omicron Nu, home economics honorary, and Janet Stone became a member of Mu Phi, music honorary. Sharon Leander and Nancy Bryant were chosen for membership in Zeta Phi Eta, speech honorary. Rally girls tapped Carol Tonkin, Mary Moe and Sharron Welsh as members, with Linda Link and Ivaly Jones as invites.

Of course, the highlight of winter quarter was Inspiration Week and initiation. Twenty-two wonderful new Thetas now proudly display their kites. The day after initiation our annual Founders' Day luncheon was held. Here we sang the new version of the Kappa Alpha Theta Grace which was adopted by convention last summer and arranged by Alpha Lambda's Janet Stone. Representing their classes and speaking on their "Golden Years in Theta" were Elizabeth Churchill, freshman; Nancy Bryant, sophomore; Anne Dunton, junior, and Ellen Ross, senior. When the class of initiates sang their new pledge song, every one was impressed by its beauty and harmony which are so representative of Theta friendship.

We were all thrilled when the freshman class elected Linda Link to reign over Frosh Day activities as their queen. Many Thetas attended the Sigma Chi Sweetheart ball in Harrison, B.C., where Ivaly Jones was one of the finalists.

Joyce Tye was the pride of Alpha Lambda when she was elected president of the Associated Women

Students. Joyce, who is a junior from Spokane, has brought many honors to our Theta chapter. She was president of W-Key, secretary of her sophomore class, song leader and a member of Totem Club, as well as working on innumerable university committees. She has also served as song leader, chaplain and pledge trainer and is a wonderful asset to our chapter. Evidence of other Theta's work in AWS was found when many were invited to a "Gracious Party" for workers in that group.

Everyone was proud of Rosemary Anderson, Judy Hawkins and Luanne Shaw who maintained 4.00 grade averages during fall quarter.

Congratulations are in order for our newly elected chapter officers. Mimi Dunn will succeed Lois Brackett as president. Others are Sally Stuit, vice president; Janet Stone, pledge trainer; Virginia Benner, recording secretary; Susan Johnson, treasurer; Anne Dunton, rush; Nancy Burrows, corresponding secretary; Liz McEachern, education; Sharon Ross, scholarship; Cameon Hughes, social; Sharon Leander, activities; Aleda Agnew, conduct, and Lynn Stewart, house manager.

Beverly Buller

WASHINGTON (St. Louis)

Alpha Iota

No letter.

WASHINGTON STATE

Alpha Sigma

Alpha Sigma officers were elected in January. We are proud to announce the following officers: Mary Twohy, president; Carolyn Leonard, vice-president; Cicily Dana, recording secretary; Kathy Downey, corresponding secretary; Mary Ann Top, treasurer; Nancygayl Welch, editor. Other officers include: Diane Draper, rush chairman; Janet Collins, scholarship; Sue Bond, house appearance; Betty Faris, social; Muff Deeter, standards; Maureen Mooberry, activities; Shirley Lantow, chaplain; Ann Parsons, head marshal.

Initiation for ten girls who pledged in September was held Saturday, February 26. New Alpha Sigmas are Joan Hackney, Kay Henry, Marilyn Horton, Natalie Johnson, Mary Lou McGee, Eulah Munns, Karen Reinertsen, Danforth (Danny) Snyder, Elizabeth Stackhouse and Suzan Stoffel.

Alpha Sigma participated in mid-semester rush and the following four girls were pledged on February 17: Elaine Billings, Palouse; Audrey Lane, Davenport; Mary Ann Pettersen, Longview and Shirley White from Colville. Another companion who is living with us for this semester is Suzette Fees, a foreign exchange student from Geneva, Switzerland.

Thetas have also made campus news since our last letter. Shirley Lantow was made associate editor of the campus daily newspaper, *The Evergreen*. She, Muriel Donovan and Karen Reinertsen won the women's intramural ski tournament at the Ski Bowl. Karen recently made the Women's WSC ski team.

Events planned for the ensuing semester are varied and exciting. Among them are a Founders' Day banquet, which will be held late in February; a Friend-

ship dinner, which will be in early March and our spring formal in April. The annual scholarship dinner will also be held.

Nancygayl Welch

WESTERN ONTARIO

Gamma Epsilon

Hi! to K A Θ from Gamma Epsilon at the University of Western Ontario. The school year of 1954-55 began by initiating 26 pledges into the fraternity and receiving a new house mother, Mrs. J. H. Pilkey.

The new members met one another and the active members by having a "sleep-in," after which all attended church and were entertained at dinner. The enthusiastic co-eds were formally received into the sisterhood on October 29, 1954 and the following evening, the initiation banquet and dance delighted everyone. Mrs. Paul Kohberger, District President, was guest speaker and week-end guest of the chapter.

The pledges were active during the fall term and entertained Pi Beta Phi and Gamma Phi Beta to a scavenger hunt and social time at the Theta house.

The gift of a large food hamper and Christmas tree to a London family put Gamma Epsilon Thetas in a happy holiday spirit. This harmonious feeling culminated in a delightful Christmas party by the Alumnae Association at the home of Colonel and Mrs. Spencer. 1955 began with one of the most outstanding events of the year—the second annual Gamma Epsilon convention of active members. On Saturday morning January 22, three group leaders, each leading in discussion for one half hour one-third of the members, brought forth suggestions on pertinent problems. The leaders remained stationary while the groups rotated to discuss, "What Are We Looking for in Freshettes," "Conversation at the Rushing Parties" and "What We Put Into the Fraternity." The consensus of opinion among Thetas is that the convention is a necessary and valuable contribution to fraternity progress. Such topics helped very much for the approaching rushing week-end whose theme was TV programs.

A formal ball at the London Hunt and Country Club on February 11 brought major fraternity activities to a wonderful climax. After the Valentine-theme dance, many returned to the house for an informal party with a French buffet.

Although social life on campus is still very busy, Gamma Epsilon girls are preparing for May examinations in anticipation of another happy and successful year with K A Θ at the University of Western Ontario in London, Canada.

Patricia Hingst

WILLIAM AND MARY

Beta Lambda

Beta Lambda concluded the month of October with a very interesting and enjoyable visit by Mrs. Don Hogate, Grand First Vice-President of Theta. The chapter held a tea in her honor which was attended by housemothers, wives of the deans of the college, and local alumnae.

November brought Homecoming to William and



Tish Rustad of Beta Lambda chapter, William and Mary, served both as Homecoming Queen and Sweetheart of Kappa Sig this year.

Mary, and numerous honors to Theta. Tish Rustad, in addition to being chosen Sweetheart of Kappa Sig, was elected Homecoming Queen; and our float, a dressing table with the slogan "Fix them up, William and Mary," tied for first place in the fraternity and sorority competition. Another Theta beauty, Cass Washburne, was in the Homecoming court, and both she and Tish were selected as finalists in the Miss William and Mary contest. As if all this weren't enough, Cynthia Kimbrough was selected as the college's representative in the Apple Blossom Festival held in Winchester, Va.

A hectic and hilarious rush week, headed by rush chairman Jeanie Andrews, followed Homecoming and netted us 17 fine new pledges. These pledges, Betsy Baker, Hamilton, Ohio; Peggie Lee Crowie, St. Louis, Mo.; Sylvia Crooker, Percellville; Mary Lou Fanshaw, Norfolk; Whit Foley, Baltimore, Md.; Lyda Daggett, Marianna, Ark.; Carol Howlett, Alexandria; Polly Johnson, Chuckatuek; Honey Martin, Detroit, Mich.; Joan Oren, Baltimore, Md.; Ruth Peterson, Sayville, N.Y.; Phyliss Pitts, Arlington; Ann Rowley, Akron, Ohio; Barbara Saunders, Shelbyville, Tenn.; Barbara Skaggs, Ft. Monroe; Polly Stadel, Reedsburg, Wis.; and Beverly Wilson, Hillsboro, Ohio, were all presented at the Pledge Presentation dance December 4.

Just before Christmas vacation the actives were entertained with a unique portrayal of "The Night Before Christmas" presented by the pledge class at

our Christmas party. We had refreshments and an exchange of presents, and then went carolling at Eastern State Hospital.

Something new this year is a monthly party at the house which gives all pledges and actives a better chance to get acquainted with and enjoy each other. These parties feature food and entertainment furnished by members of one of the classes.

February brought the start of a new semester, which promised to be another busy and enjoyable one. We were entertained at a reception given by the SAEs, and two weeks later we headed for the District Convention in Richmond. Cass Washburne was elected as delegate.

Initiation was held on March 10, and on that date Roseanne Fazon, Sylvia Crooker, D. A. Platt, Sally Dallas, Joan Oren, Lyda Daggett, Peggie Lee Cowie, Polly Johnson, Polly Stadel, Beverly Wilson, Ann Rowley, Carol Howlett, Betsy Baker, and Ruth Peterson became full-fledged actives.

The year has been a busy one, and we are especially proud of the exceptional increase in our chapter's scholastic average.

Jeri Robinson

WISCONSIN

Psi

Before we knew it, the trials and tribulations of exams were over and Psi was ready to begin the new semester with newly elected officers. Congratulations go to the following girls: Kath Daly, president; Diane Foster, vice president; Ellyn McCord, recording secretary; Patty Fritsch, correspondence secretary; Judy Hiegho, treasurer; Tina Strong, house president; Jody



Judy Manton's figure skating in the Badger Ice Revue proved to be the highlight of Wisconsin's Winterama Week.

Park, social chairman; Sally Winter, scholarship chairman; Liz Allen, executive rush; Ester Lerdahl, corresponding rush; Janet Nagy and Barbara Dreher, editors; Judy Hunt, activities chairman; Debby Patty, Panhel delegate, and Ann Warner, chaplain.

Scoop

According to Sheila Graham, Hollywood columnist, Lorna Young (Omicron), who recently won a contest as the Prettiest Coed in America, made such a good screen test at Warner's, she may be given the lead in "Rebel Without Cause" with James Dean.

In December, Psi welcomed and pledged the following girls; Sally Cowan, Barbara Kops, Karen Lockvan, Jean McDowell, Marcia Meckleburg, Mary Nason and Carol Weisflag. We began the holidays by decorating a huge Christmas tree in sparkling silver and green to add atmosphere to the annual winter formal. Continuing the holiday spirit, Psi held a box social at which Theta dates bid for their dinners. The night was fun as well as profitable, for we were proud to send the proceeds to the Northern Wisconsin Colony and Training School.

We said goodbye to Jack Frost with a festive Winterama Week. Thetas participated in all campus events of ice sculpturing, ice skating and broom hockey games. Chi Phi and Theta ingenuity produced a colorful parade float, and the efforts were celebrated at a Sunday morning breakfast. Judy Manton's figure skating talents were a highlight of the Badger Ice Revue, while Mary Ann Strong was chairman of the special events. Barrel-stave racing was under the chairmanship of Liz Allen.

Next on the calendar, the Thetas became caught in the whirl of activities for Coed's Week. Karen Nelson represented us on the planning committee, while Mitzi Arnold, Barbara Dreher, and Judy Manton modeled for the featured fashion show. Terry Specia acted as a hostess.

Enthusiasm for "Humorology," an all campus production, was at its peak with ideas for the sparkling show full of humor. The Sigma Alpha Epsilons helped develop the theme of Hobos vs. Sociologists, and hopes are high for a smashing success. Jody Park is directing the show, which will be presented in March.

We were honored with a visit from Mrs. Ackerman, our District President, for Founders' Day. The pledges climaxed the celebration with an entertaining skit entitled "This is Your Life, Kappa Alpha Theta."

Scholastic honors go to outstanding Psis who obtained straight "A" averages for the past semester. The girls to be congratulated are: Shirley Johnson, Tasha Frankfurth, and Gail Helsing.

Plans are now being made for our traditional Parents' weekend which is held in the spring. The program will consist of a dinner in our parents' honor and attendance at the campus production of Haresfoot Follies of 1955.

Janet Nagy
Barbara Dreher

Theta Data

Adelphi

Born to: Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Charles Weber (Anna Van Houten) a daughter, Sara Louise, June 14, 1954.

Alberta

Married: Dorothy Margaret Livingstone to Melvin Earl Lomas, July 3, 1954. At home at 1328 13th Ave. S.W., Calgary, Alberta, Canada.

Grace A. M. Hope to Archibald Hadley Dickson, April 24, 1954. At home at 11743-111 Ave., Edmonton, Alberta, Canada.

Allegheny

Born to: Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Gundlach (Ann C. Clark) a son, Clark William, Aug. 2, 1954.

Arizona

Married: Mary Joanne Wimberley to Charles Nesbitt Johnson, June 2, 1954. At home at 501 W. Virginia Ave., Phoenix, Ariz.

Anne Wolfe to Otto Verch, Dec., 1954. At home at 2513 N. Country Club Rd., Tucson, Ariz.

Butler

Married: Rosalee Baker Spong to Karl W. Hoffmann, Jan. 20, 1955. At home at 4455 Marcy Lane, Apt. 166, Indianapolis, Ind.

Born to: Dr. and Mrs. William Ellsworth Peet (Carolyn Metzger) a son, Douglas Ellsworth, Nov. 14, 1954.

California

Married: Joan Bowker to Thomas E. DeYager, Aug. 21, 1954. At home at 4518 Rodeo Lane #1, Los Angeles 16, Calif.

Harriet Leelrick Pullen to J. L. Miller, Jan. 22, 1955. At home at 156 Lockwood Rd., Riverside, Conn.

California, L.A.

Born to: Mr. and Mrs. Manuel George Gonzalez III (Mary Mac Short) a son, Manuel George IV, Dec. 30, 1954.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Eugene Hugh (Barbara Hall) a daughter, Kathleen Marie, Sept. 6, 1954.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas John O'Connor (Nancy Baus) a son, Thomas John, Aug. 26, 1954.

Carnegie Tech

Born to: Mr. and Mrs. John H. Euwer (Jeanne Boltey) a daughter Barbara Lynn, Oct. 15, 1954.

Cincinnati

Married: Suzanne (Sunny) Wilson to Marvin Ward Cramer, July 23, 1954. At home at Contreareas Pike, R.F.D. #1, Oxford, Ohio.

Peggy Ann Grace to S. Miller Weisman, Dec. 16, 1954. At home at 4513 Barbara Place, Cincinnati 29, Ohio.

Born to: Mr. and Mrs. David N. Gorman (Leslie F. Nelson), a daughter, Victoria Nelson, Sept. 5, 1954.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Decker, Jr. (Sue Ann McVey), a daughter, Linda Sue, July 2, 1954.

Mr. and Mrs. Harrison T. Green (Mary Frances Owens), a son, James Anderson, Feb. 16, 1954.

Mr. and Mrs. Scott Dallas Timmerman (Ann McFarland), their second son, Andrew Clark, Feb. 2, 1955.

Colorado

Married: Gretchen Gilbert to Frederick Nyland, July 4, 1954. Natalie Snell to Robert Bramer, June 26, 1954.

Suzanne Kelly to Kenneth Slocum, June 26, 1954.

Carriellen Reeve to Lael DeMuth, Aug. 15, 1954.

Helen Fedde to James House, Aug. 26, 1954.

Ruth Mary Pasco to James Spiker, July 17, 1954.

Carol Rhodes to James Kay, June 5, 1954.

Mary Ellen Stacy to Larry Horne, June 5, 1954.

Jean Walrod to George Howe, June 15, 1954.

Jean Frazey to Keith Watson, June 5, 1954.

Lee Huffman to John Bartley, June 18, 1954.

Ruth Hutchinson to Thomas Dillingham, Aug. 13, 1954.

Grace Getschow to Thomas Terrill, Aug. 7, 1954.

Marjorie Duff to Frederick Kottenstette, July 3, 1954.

Delano Van Wagenen to Laurence LeVally, Nov. 22, 1954.

Joyce Pierson to Donald Rumsfeld, Dec. 27, 1954.

Beverly Bruce to Larry Carter, Feb. 4, 1955.

Born to: Mr. and Mrs. William Rider (Shirley Gemmer) a son, Warren Scott.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Spicer (Nancy Nelson) a son, Thomas Lee.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Eugene Griffith (Mary Mantz) a son, Peter Leslie, Nov. 2, 1954.

Mr. and Mrs. William T. Davis (Martha Mills) a daughter, Adele Mansfield, Nov. 3, 1954.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Dexter Bowman, Jr. (Patricia Louise Joffee) a son, Robert Ryals, Nov. 5, 1954.

Colorado A & M

Married: Joan Phyllis Rankin to Jerrold Lee Stivers, June 12, 1954. At home at 22 Josepha, San Francisco, Calif.

Born to: Mr. and Mrs. David Ray Blake (Carol Lou Hughes), a son, Thomas Ray, Feb. 5, 1955.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Rosenow (Mary Vaughn), a daughter, Laura Carol, Feb. 13, 1955.

Colorado College

Married: Suzanne French to Robert Edward Hanslip III, Jan. 29, 1955. At home at 2207 Central St., Evanston, Ill.

Born to: Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Gorson Snyder (Peggy Clifford Gould) twin daughters, Amy Gordon and Kathy Clifford, March 17, 1954.

Connecticut

Married: Lois Anne Frank to Derwood Stetson, Dec. 22, 1954. At home at 33 Fairfield Ave., Darien, Conn.

Lois Kurtze to Charles Stahlschmidt, Dec. 4, 1954. At home at Route 1, Oakdale, Conn.

Born to: Mr. and Mrs. Calvin H. Macumber (Carolyn Thomas) twin sons, Philips Thomas and John Calvin, Dec. 24, 1954.

Cornell

Married: Joan E. Dinkel to Richard Edwin Crews, June 4, 1954. At home at 217 W. Sewell's Point Rd., Norfolk 5, Va.

Joan Shultz to Richard James Indermill, Feb. 18, 1955. At home at 44826 Trevor, Lancaster, Calif.

Born to: Mr. and Mrs. Arthur William Beale, Jr. (M. Joy Golding) a daughter, Patricia Ann, March 11, 1954.

Mr. and Mrs. William A. Smith III (Polly Armstrong) a son, William A. IV, Oct. 27, 1954.
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Edward O'Rourke (Eunice Ames Torlinski) a son, Robert Kevin, Nov. 8, 1954.

Denison

Married: Zoa Manson Scholfeld to Peter Jay Guernsey, July 3, 1954. At home at 73 Devries Ave., North Tarrytown, N.Y.

Born to: Mr. and Mrs. Richard R. Cameron (Edwina B. Webb) a son, William Howard.
Mr. and Mrs. William B. Boykin (Margaret Starbuck) a son, Kirk Starbuck, Oct. 26, 1954.
Mr. and Mrs. Donald Storch (Tommy Jean Williams) a daughter, Wendy McCann, Nov. 17, 1954.

DePauw

Married: Frances Jean Swanstron to Maxwell Speers MacCollum, Dec. 28, 1954. At home at 615-A N. Tibbs Ave., Indianapolis, Ind.

Jeanne Debuts to Lt. Gordon C. Gimple. At home at 2161 W. 116th Pl., Chicago 43, Ill.

Marcia Wheeler to Richard H. Mussman, Feb. 12, 1955. At home at 3498 E. Fall Creek Blvd., Indianapolis, Ind.

Susan Metcalfe to Howard W. Elzemeyer, Jan. 15, 1955. At home at 8911 Eager Rd., St. Louis 17, Mo.

Born to: Mr. and Mrs. Russell C. James (Elizabeth Finley) a son, Robert Douglas, June 2, 1954.
Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Graves (Barbara Sward) a daughter, Susan Johanna, Aug. 28, 1954.
Mr. and Mrs. James Hamilton Mason (Anabel Russell) a son, James Russell, Oct. 31, 1954.

Drake

Born to: Mr. and Mrs. Harry Witter Green (Lois J. Nelson) a daughter, Linda Jo, Dec. 13, 1954.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Randall Eastland (Charlotte Curtis) a daughter, Wendy Sue, Sept. 3, 1954.

Duke

Married: Martha Anderson to Robert Mayer

Martha Brown to Elias R. Torree.

Judy Clarke to James Brodt.

Georgeanne Coble to Charles Jordan.

Sarah Jenkins to Allan Pell.

Judith Foster to Donald Thiede.

Marilyn McKeeman to Richard Farquhar.

Sally Tanback to John Carey.

Alice Jean Youmans to John F. Larkin, Jr.

Lillian Wooten to W. Powell Bland, Oct. 9, 1954.

At home at 611 N. Herman, Goldsboro, N.C.

Ann Gunderson to David Jerome Conroy, May, 1954. At home at 1709 Green Acres Rd., New Orleans 23, La.

Marjorie Stark Goring to H. Gerard Boyd, Oct. 30, 1954. At home at 61 Maple Court, Buffalo 21, N.Y.

Born to: Mr. and Mrs. Roland R. Randall, Jr. (Joan Voegelin) a son, Emerson, Nov. 1, 1954.

Mr. and Mrs. Thornton Watson Rose (Betty Jean Culbreth) a son, Thornton Watson, Jr., July 7, 1954.

Florida State

Born to: Mr. and Mrs. James George Sheffield (Mary Alyce Ray) Lorie, Dec. 18, 1954.

Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Thomas Hall (Carole Ann Peterson) a son, Richard Harrison, Aug. 9, 1954.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Lee Miller II (Nancy Ann Monroe) a son, William Paul, Aug. 25, 1954.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold L. Minnich (Garnier Blount) a daughter, Barbara Ann, Nov. 10, 1954.

George Washington

Born to: Mr. and Mrs. James Joseph Conroy III (Elizabeth L. Hammond) a son, James Brian, Aug. 5, 1954.

Georgia

Married: L. Lillian Powell to William Robert Martin, April 30, 1954. At home at 525 Mariposa St., Orlando, Florida.

Born to: Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Morehead Eager (Jean Andrews) a son, Eugene M. Jr., Dec. 26, 1954.
Dr. and Mrs. Richard Rafe Grant (Eleanor Jones) a daughter, Amanda Jean, Dec. 29, 1954.

Goucher

Married: Elaine Spencer to Reed L. Guthrie, Dec. 29, 1954. At home at 48-18 43rd St. Apt. 3-C, Woodside 77, N.Y.

Idaho

Born to: Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Lee Gauger (Janet Margaret Fulton) a son, Carl Christian, March 24, 1954.

Illinois

Born to: Mr. and Mrs. Donald L. Whitsitt (Wanda Bash) a son, Stephen Donald, Dec. 1, 1954.

Indiana

Born to: Mr. and Mrs. John Thomas Berber (Janet Lee Fleehtart) a daughter, Nancy, Dec. 7, 1954.

Mr. and Mrs. John Holcomb Ehrichs (Catherine (Kay) Schlenker) a daughter, Lisa Ann, Feb. 14, 1955.

Kansas

Married: Carolyn Campbell to Richard H. Wagstaff, Jr., Oct. 9, 1954. At home at 1201 Albion, Denver, Colo.

Born to: Mr. and Mrs. Bill J. Porter (Sara Ann Starry) a son, Stephen Scott, Nov. 18, 1954.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bennett Anderson (Virginia Jo Winter) a son, their third child, Dec. 22, 1955.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles R. Fisk (Betty Carmean) a daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Holefelder, Jr. (Mary Frances Haines) a daughter, Sharon Frances, Aug. 26, 1954.

A Technical Error

There was an error in the statistics of the last issue. It should have read:

Duke—Born to Mr. and Mrs. E. Joseph Cole III (Fay Cobb) a son, Jeffrey Joseph Cole, March 15, 1954.

Here is the explanation, as given:

"My maiden name was Alice Cole (Mrs. Lawrence J. Cole, Jr.) and I married a Cole last May. Included in the statistics, I sent in an account of my marriage to a Cole. I also included a birth announcement from a cousin of mine, also a Cole, and his wife who was a Theta at Duke. I went to Georgia. The list of my marriage was printed correctly but the birth announcement of my cousin and his Theta wife appeared under Georgia with my maiden name (Alice Cole) instead of hers (Fay Cobb), under Duke."

Kentucky

Married: Nancy Harper to Lt. Walter John Barrow, Feb. 19, 1955. At home 1532 Kellogg, Rapid City, South Dakota.

Lawrence

Born to: Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. DeWitt (Mary Lu Polzin, Psi Aff.) a son, Oct. 5, 1954.
Mr. and Mrs. Thomas A. Patterson (Muriel Jensen) a daughter, Sara Lynn, June 22, 1954.

McGill

Married: Olive Sanborn to Major Alfred Rubens, July 22, 1954 in Woking, Surrey, England. At home at the New Ottawa Hotel, Cowansville, P.Q., Canada.

Nancy Robin Wright to Carman Cyril Bradley, Jan. 9, 1954. At home at 643 Edmund Heights, N.E., Calgary, Alberta, Canada.

Born to: Mr. and Mrs. John Alexander Duncan (Myrtle Isobel Moore), a daughter, Jan. 12, 1955.

Massachusetts

Born to: Mr. and Mrs. John Gordon Dobson (Anne Chase) a son, Gregory Chase, July 2, 1954.

Michigan

Married: Barbara Boeghold to Lee Shay, Nov. 27, 1954.

Sally Angell to Don Parsons, Dec. 18, 1954.

Karin Jack to Edward Bassett, Dec. 21, 1954.

Born to: Mr. and Mrs. Jack Zinser (Sue Shafter) a son, Thomas Royce, Feb. 6, 1955.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Carpenter (Karin Carlson) a son Robert, Jr., Dec. 21, 1954.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert R. Hails (June Willard) a third son, Robert Charles, Sept. 28, 1954.

Michigan State

Born to: Mr. and Mrs. John Hedlund Cvangros (Barbara Lee Schimmel) a daughter, Jane Elizabeth, Aug. 20, 1954.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Burton Bauer (Dolores Jean Levi) a son, David Lawson, Nov. 20, 1954.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Weatherby Graves (Patsy Stadler) a second son, John Stadler, Dec. 26, 1954.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Collins (Joann Marston) a son, Steven Marston, Dec. 12, 1954.

Minnesota

Married: Virginia Ann Bootz to Jack Forbes Ringland, Jan. 2, 1955. At home at 1330 W. 9th St., Des Moines 14, Iowa.

Nancy Lorena Berens to Robert Ward Phillips, Dec. 29, 1954. At home at Clyde Park, Montana.

Ann Bolen to James A. Struthers, Dec. 27, 1954.

Jane Loss Brockway to Dr. Gordon Lynn McKinlay, Jan. 8, 1955. At home at Tonkawood Rd., Wayzata, Minn.

Born to: Mr. and Mrs. Alex Rex Hafer, Jr. (Clara Ann Nelson) a son, Willard Randall, June 4, 1954.

Mr. and Mrs. Alexander R. Dearborn III (Joan Erickson) a daughter, Mary Patton, Aug. 4, 1954.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell B. Wolfe (Maxey Swanson) a son, Jeffrey William, Feb. 3, 1955.

Missouri

Born to: Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Fight (Lynn Jones) a daughter, Alison, Nov. 15, 1954.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter F. Vandelight (Alice Fogelman) a daughter, Ruth Anne, July 28, 1954.

Mr. and Mrs. William Bushman (Katherine Gentry) their third son, David Louis, July 31, 1954.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Thompson Heder (Mary Patricia Maurer) a son, Stephen Russell, Oct. 22, 1954.

Dr. and Mrs. Wilson M. Baltz (Ann Coulter) their third son, William Diesel, June 26, 1954.

Mr. and Mrs. Moss E. Rudolph (Barbara Anne Whitacre) twin girls, Dec. 31, 1954.

Nevada

Married: Ronnie Yater to Lawrence Taber Jenkins, Dec. 18, 1954. At home at 1350 Mallory Lane, Reno, Nevada.

New Mexico

Married: Susan Berg to Roland Hanson, Feb. 3, 1955.

Northwestern

Married: Bonnie Roth to Carl A. Weigell, April 10, 1954. At home at 4207 N. Stowell, Milwaukee 11, Wis.

Mary Virginia Fiske to Warren J. Boorom, June 12, 1954. At home at 555 Broadway, Hastings-on-Hudson, N.Y.

Marion Knight Roby to John Walter Sperer, Dec. 17, 1954. At home in Carmel, California, P.O. Box 603.

Ohio State

Married: Nancy Jean Craver to Maryin Ward Borgeson, Dec. 4, 1954. At home at 20135 Westlake Rd., Rocky River, Ohio.

Born to: Mr. and Mrs. John M. Koch (Suzanne Botley), a daughter, Kathryn, Dec. 28, 1954.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Neill Vollmer (Joanne E. Fleming), a son, Thomas Wilson, Nov. 6, 1954.

Mr. and Mrs. William Edward Shultz (Rebecca Ann Miller), their fourth child, a son, Theodore Philip, Jan. 5, 1955.

Ohio Wesleyan

Born to: Mr. and Mrs. Starr Frederick Schlobohm (Ina Mae Gorham) a daughter, Sept. 20, 1954.

Oklahoma

Married: Barbara Ann Harman to Dimitrios Compote Kentros, Nov. 28, 1954. At home at 156 E. 52nd, New York, N.Y.

Born to: Mr. and Mrs. James William Rowe (Joan Brandenburg) a daughter, Sharon Elizabeth, Jan. 11, 1955 in Frankfurt, Germany.

Mr. and Mrs. James Eugene Green (Patti Jeanne Moody) a daughter, Susan Mickle, Dec. 13, 1954.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifton George Lowen (Patricia Gorman) a daughter, Angela Jean, Feb. 12, 1955.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Walter Perry (Mary Dean Sudderth) a daughter, Mary Martha, Dec. 7, 1954.

Oklahoma A & M

Married: Martha A. Madden to Duane Ross Clark, Dec. 10, 1954.

Margaret Ann Hill to Frederick H. King, Jan. 24, 1955.

Marjorie Conner to Ronald O. Ray, Feb. 11, 1955.

Born to: Mr. and Mrs. James Cavaness Taylor, (Earlene Johnson) a son, James Clayton, Nov. 14, 1954.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Frank Kline (Margaret Shepard) a daughter, Elizabeth Ann, Sept. 15, 1954.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew H. Royce (Madeline Russell) a son, Sept., 1954.

Mr. and Mrs. Lance Shogron (Caroline Edwards) a daughter, Caroline Claire, Oct. 7, 1954.

Mr. and Mrs. John E. Holder (Shirlee Stoll) a son, John E., Jr., Sept. 13, 1954.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence LaBarthe (Mary Ann Swank) a daughter, Suzanne, Oct. 11, 1954.
 Lt. and Mrs. Norman J. Smith, Jr. (Mary Jo Robinson) a daughter, Janice Alice, May 6, 1954.
 Mr. and Mrs. Kermit B. Ingham (Pat Timken) a son, Mark, Dec. 16, 1954.
 Dr. and Mrs. J. McKinley Martin Jr. (Carol Lahman) a daughter, Ann Marie, Jan. 20, 1955.
 Mr. and Mrs. James C. Donovan (Ruth E. Andrews) a son, Clay.
 Mr. and Mrs. George Davis (Cecyle Jones) a daughter, Mary Helen, Jan. 17, 1955.
 Mr. and Mrs. Bob Diggs Brown (Audrey Clifton) a daughter, Marcia Diggs, Dec. 29, 1954.
 Mr. and Mrs. Robert R. Whiteaker (Dorothy Louise Williams) a son, Robert Reed, Aug. 13, 1954.

Oregon

Born to: Mr. and Mrs. Myron Brown Dowd, Jr. (Nancy Lee Gaveny) a son, Patrick Gaveny, Nov. 19, 1954.
 Mr. and Mrs. Davis Ellsworth Patterson (Mary Storkersen) a daughter, Kelsey Gilmore, Feb. 6, 1955.

Oregon State

Married: Audrey M. Daum to Jon W. Waldorf, Aug. 7, 1954. At home at Pine Terrace Apts. 8-A, Columbus, Ga.

Penn State

Married: Solveig Mae Berg to Frederick Samuel Dietz, Sept. 9, 1954. At home at Middlesex Apt. #3E, Fredonia, N.Y.

Pittsburgh

Married: Mary Jo Proudfoot to George Roger Jennings, Jan. 7, 1955. At home at 138 Ridgewood Rd., Pittsburgh 9, Penna.

Born to: Mr. and Mrs. William Owen Potts, Jr. (Margaret Cochrane) a daughter, Heather Eve, Jan. 9, 1955.

Pennsylvania

Born to: Mr. and Mrs. John M. Longenecker (Shirley Hetherington), their third child, a son, Bruce William, July 9, 1954.

Purdue

Married: Paula Jean Hoover Nelms to Jack W. Jameson, Nov. 27, 1954. At home at 317 S. 11th, Apt. 2, Las Vegas, Nev.

Randolph Macon

Married: Ann Krachy to John H. Lyle, Jr., Aug. 24, 1954. At home at 2115 Bolsover, Houston 5, Tex.

Rollins

Born to: Mr. and Mrs. John R. De Werd (Patricia Wheaton) a daughter, Faith Anne, Dec. 21, 1954.

San Diego

Married: Ann Tobelman to Robert Bogan, Jan. 29, 1955. At home at 735 "F" Ave. (Apt. 4), Coronado, Calif.

Born to: Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Carl Conrad, Jr. (Phyllis Kay Myers "Jill") a daughter, Terry Ann, Jan. 9, 1955. Lt. and Mrs. John A. Graff, USAF (Joan Otis) a son, John, Dec. 28, 1954.

San Jose State

Married: Else Muller to Herbert Stewart Towle, Aug. 28, 1954. At home at 6 Perley Apts. Byrd Blvd., Greenville, S.C.

Santa Barbara

Married: Joan Nelson to Reed C. Gast, June 26, 1954. At home at 908 4th St., Santa Monica, Calif.

South Dakota

Married: Karen Cartwright to Arlan Haakingson.

Jean Gilbert to Dean Anderson.

Claudette Beauregard to Dennis Gray.

Barbara Burke to William Eilers.

Born to: Mr. and Mrs. Michael Nagle (Connie Roth), a son.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Bollinger (Mary Jean Dunn), a daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Dean Rallis (Marion Rathbun, a son.

Mr. and Mrs. James Prins (Gail Horrel), a daughter.

Southern California

Born to: Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Longyear, Jr. (Ann Jarvis) a daughter, Teresa Jarvis, Dec. 21, 1954.

Syracuse

Married: Patricia Peluso to Anthony De Angelis, Nov. 20, 1954. At home at 34 Stanton Dr., East Syracuse, N.Y.

Janet A. Fuller to Theodore D. McKelvey, Dec. 23, 1954. At home at 55 Sheridan Ave., Mt. Vernon, N.Y.

Born to: Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Roll (Lucille Krayenhof), a daughter, Lee, April 15, 1954.

Texas

Married: Virginia Edith Beilharz to Maxcy Dewitt Daggett, Jr., Nov. 27, 1954. At home in Dallas 21, Tex. P.O. Box 1222.

Mildred Tarver Seng to Merle A. Sparks, Dec. 31, 1954. At home at 6624 Dickens St., Dallas 5, Tex.

Tulsa

Married: Ella Louise Toler to Gary Smith, Jan. 22, 1955. At home at 2702 E. 10th St., Apt. 1, Tulsa, Okla.

Patricia Bowker to Thomas Durham, Jr., Jan. 28, 1955. At home at 613 Hoover St., Norman, Okla.

JoAnn Cleveland to John Clayton, Feb. 19, 1955. At home at 2731 E. 7th St., Tulsa, Okla.

Vanderbilt

Born to: Mr. and Mrs. Cleo Duke Wilder, Jr. (Betty Rhea) a son, Bill, Aug. 23, 1954.

Vermont

Married: Wilma Loding to Robert R. Thomson, Sept. 11, 1954. At home at 342 Travis Dr., Pittsburgh, Penna.

Washburn

Married: Jackie Sutton Mills to Max Leland Campbell, Nov. 24, 1954. At home at 101 N. Fillmore, Topeka, Kansas.

Born to: Mr. and Mrs. Richard Harwood Moses (Meredith Mandeville) a daughter, Kathryn Ann, Oct. 15, 1954.

Washington

Married: Leonie Miller to Robert Ardell Barnes, Nov. 13, 1954. At home at 4116 Edgewater Place, Seattle 2, Wash.

Born to: Mr. and Mrs. William A. Lynch (Marilyn Steinmetz) a son, Robert Lynch, Dec. 29, 1954.

Mr. and Mrs. James H. Pankow (Margaret V. Davis) a daughter, Laura Jean, May 23, 1954.

Washington (St. Louis)

Married: Adele M. Dwyer Garroway to Edward W. Fordyce, July 10, 1954. At home at 15 Lenox Place, St. Louis 8, Mo.

Washington State

Married: Carol Lee King to Milton K. McDowell, Sept. 5, 1954. At home at 3211 W. 10th, Apt. 205, Portland 1, Oregon.

Dianne Dorsey to Charles Payne, Dec. 20, 1954. At home in Pullman, Wash.

Elaine Land to John Reese, Dec. 28, 1954. At home in Moscow, Idaho.

Myrtle Troseth to Hugh Knapp, Dec. 20, 1954. At home in Tacoma, Wash.

Western Ontario

Married: Gwynedd Lewis to Donald James Kelly, Sept. 10, 1954. At home at 1105 1st St., E. Sub. P.O. 13, Saskatoon, Sask., Canada.

Born to: Mr. and Mrs. John A. McCutcheon (Mary G. Davidson) a daughter, Mary Jane, Dec. 17, 1954.

Wisconsin

Married: Jean Langjahr to Carl H. Lund, Jr., July 7, 1954. At home at 504 Linden Circle, Huntington 5, W. Va.

Marilyn Bruss to Robert Fred Jacobsen, June 26, 1954. At home at 7508 Wellaver Dr., Wauwatosa 13, Wis.

Born to: Mr. and Mrs. Edward E. Soulé (Carol Sievers) a daughter, Margo Carol, Oct. 28, 1954.

To you who are graduating . . .

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